Adam Kay, Natural State

A couple of weeks ago now

The kids had a big surprise.

They turned on the cartoon network

And couldn't believe their eyes.

The animals on the cartoons

Have left the screens and escaped

They wandered the streets and they had

Adopted their natural states.

Wasn't it grand?

Wasn't it great?

When the cartoons

All went to assume

Their natural state

Mickey Mouse felt his vertebrae snap

With his head caught in a trap,

Eating the cheese

And full of disease

In his natural state.

The day they just all discarded

Their anthropomorphic ways.

They burst out the TV sets and

They changed the way they behaved.

Ermintrude the Cow was sorry

When back in her natural state,

Cos Damien Hurst had sliced her

And put her up in the Tate.

Their natural state,

Their natural state.

Don't be upset

But most of them met

A grizzly fate.

Bugs Bunny spent his very last day

In laboratoire Garnier

Feeling a bit cross

Testing out lip gloss

In his natural state.

His natural state.

And Earthworm Jim

Found himself in

A fisherman's bait.

Peter Rabbit and his friends

Got hit by Mercedes Benz

Like Mr Toad

Found dead on the road

In his natural state.

His natural state

Some of our friends

Met quite sticky ends

On restaurant plates.

Daffy Duck met the end to his days

With an aromatic glaze,

Nice crispy skin

And topped with Hoi Sin

In his natural state.

They wound up beaten,

Chopped up and eaten

In their natural state.

Each cartoon critter

Cooked in a fritter;

Each animation

Fried up like bacon

When the cartoons

Went to assume

Their natural state.

