

a patch of four leaf clovers

a brother

A locked up dog like the one that does the cup trick with human hands
on Sesame Street who you can tell your secrets to through the coal
shed window.

A Moses basket, and me lying face down dejected on the carpet.

*However much parents prepare the child for the new arrival, nothing
can prepare her for the emotional shock of the real event.*

The back seats of a car:
bench for a back lane playground:
stage set for a family.

A job in a factory painting bouncy castles and a waterbed big enough
for the four of us.

We bought Bewick Road because the people who owned it wouldn't sell
it to the Jewish Community. We got it cheap because they were racists.

Sitting on a small
of chips.

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We wheel
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geography, follow
of this place would

I was supposed to
I am strong-armed

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