

Metaphors and Descriptive Words

a stew of smells
a moat of quiet
pellets of light
a web of hairs
a scarred surface
frosted tone, or words
brittle light
scum of guilt
a belch of spray
eyes gummed with sleep
a shock of lamplight
light soft as mohair
caramel grasses
wind-pruned
scraps of laughter
clouds veined with red
bloodshot look of sunset
a floss of lashes
sips of forgiveness
a thin, bitter sound
scallops of clouds
trellis of shadows
scissored
poached
pocked
inky
smear
scrape
elegant cold
hiss
piping
billowy
papoose
pinched
serrated
scribbles

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