

here to there

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man made the wheel to move things around
and invented pedals so they could move
on wheels too; the sleek purple bi-
cycle i saw my senior sail down the road
on. and after a while to save all
the leg-work some genius added
the engine; clunky cars and trams then the
soundless superbus and the beautiful
ferrari with the driver enjoying air-con
and f.m. ninety-eight point seven.

and then man made like the birds in
aluminium (first the wright brothers and
now flying cars) so concorde could break the
sound barrier. then went beyond the sky
to the stars and the rest of the milky way until
now in this space age on the way to school in
an oh-so-common luxury i heard a girl say:

why can't they move the bus stop closer to school
a hundred metres is so far to walk

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