

# These Days

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### For Karen O'Reilly

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#### **NAMING IT**

Five years out of school and preachy with booklearning, it is good to be discovered as a marauding child.

To think the gloomiest most baffled misadventures might lead so suddenly to a clearing – as when a friend taking me to her well-stocked fridge says: look this is an avocado and *this* is an aubergine.