

The Lemon

fruit

from the tree

Gently picked by migrant worker
hands
and placed in wooden crates
loaded onto trucks for shipping

put

on the shelves

Of our town's local fruit market
stand
handled and smelled by the
customers who will take them home

fresh

in the bowl

Yellow colored, smooth, and oblong
shaped
shiny and glistening
a pleasing citrus aroma

cut

into halves

Then squeezed into Grandma's old glass
jar
add sugar and water
tasty lemonade anyone

— *Whitney K. Taylor*