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dusk  
a deeper shade  
of crow



—Rich Schilling



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mudbank  
the eye blink  
of a bullfrog



—Bruce H. Feingold



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crescent moon—  
the scent of orange zest  
on my nails

—Sue Courtney



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reflections...  
the river  
in the river birch



—Laurie Greer



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meteor shower —  
I shake white sand  
from my sleeping bag



—Michelle V. Alkerton





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cold moon  
a tenor ascending  
into falsetto



—Shawn Blair



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snow storm...  
the shabby scarecrow  
wears a new coat

—Seby, Grade 4





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spring dusk  
digging around in mom's bag  
for a lipstick

—Larisa, Grade 8



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bobcat eyes  
green and gold meet brown  
i hold my breath

—Maya, Grade 11



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an empty lap  
except for my journal  
field of daisies

—Elsa, Grade 8





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Full moon  
My mom expects  
Like the ones before

—Cassie, Grade 11



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dancing daisies  
I practice my  
taekwondo form

—Anna, Grade 3



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spring gossip

a new page

In my writing journal

—Huck, Grade 11



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fallen tree  
a blossom on the ground  
grows inside me

—Carina, Grade 5





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The clothes on my back  
Oh so fly, it is priceless  
I can't tell you why

—Ytam, Grade 12





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petals in the wind...  
the carousel horses  
with a new saddle

—Seby, Grade 4







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vibrating cicadas  
a crested woodpecker  
ceases its drill

—Bennu, Grade 9



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empty snail shell  
an echo  
of dewdrops

—Almila, Grade 12



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gathered dew  
overflowing  
with dawn

—Almila, Grade 12



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the oak leans over  
my shoulder  
reading the page

—Atlas



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nostalgia:  
a red leaf floats past  
the evergreen

—Jasmine, Grade 11



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How it feels  
To breathe in lavender  
Through an open window

—Jacqueline, Grade 9





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dandelion fluff  
the puppy dog chasing  
my wish

—Petronela, Grade 7



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cold desert  
a staring contest  
with the stars

—Birk Andersson



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loon calls  
a long night  
of remembering

—Joanna Ashwell



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lit towpath  
a heron anchors  
the moon

—Robert A. Beary



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a sea of umbrellas  
honeysuckles open  
first blossoms of spring

—Naman Benday



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a thing  
with feathers  
spring meadow

—Brad Bennett



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something of me  
in the memory of a fawn  
gone into the woods

—Deborah A. Bennett



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piano lesson  
drops  
becoming rain

—Efrat Bloom



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hey summer please  
don't throw your hot self  
in a taxi quite yet

—Cinse Bonino



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summer dawn  
just before sunrise  
the smell of yeast

—Raj Bose



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pond mist...  
something little ripples  
into nothing

—Brett Brady



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equinox  
the tallest leaves  
turn first

—Erin Castaldi



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pitter-patter rain  
pouring my heart out  
to my new diary

— Jackie Chou



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changing locks  
one of the last leaves  
falls with the rain

—Evan Coram



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morning walk  
the cursive display of geese  
on the blue board

— Lorelyn De la Cruz Arevalo



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lengthening days...  
damp with snowmelt  
a picnic table

—Janice Doppler



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summer rental—  
under my bare feet  
pine needles

—Janice Doppler



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the gentle touch  
of sunlight on stone—  
a tiny pair of shoes

—Allison Douglas-Tourner



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a gust of wind  
through cherry blossoms—  
broken hourglass

—Ana Drobot



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sometimes  
one is enough—  
daffodil

—Rebecca Drouilhet



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penny whistle tones  
at dusk the syncopation  
of a raven

—Michael Dudley



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In the park  
he offers her  
the sunny half of the bench

—Nikola Duretic



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S.O.S.  
blinking from the jar  
fireflies

—Eavonka Ettinger



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summer rain...  
the tapping  
of dad's walking stick

—Adele Evershed



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scenic overlook  
all the cameras pointed  
the wrong way

— Jay Friedenber



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slow day  
the caramel corn man  
pops up a storm

—Susan Beth Furst



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pushcart vendor  
scent of oranges  
in his call

—Mel Goldberg



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spring equinox  
my snowman  
tilts toward earth

—Michelle Gordon



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holding the door open  
at the convenience store  
spring slush

—Sari Grandstaff



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Mockingbird  
making up the day's tune  
as he goes

—Michele L. Harvey



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first snow  
occasional flakes drifting  
through the raindrops

—Brendan Hewitt



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in the snow  
our street curves  
in a new direction

—Robert Hirschfield



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cherry blossoms  
the other side  
of the sunset

—Edward Huddleston



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mole tunnels—  
living in the footnotes  
of a wildflower guide

—Jonathan Humphrey



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spring breeze  
much like before  
never before

—Jonathan Humphrey



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wheeling gulls  
open the blue hour  
dawn on the Ganges

—Lakshmi Iyer



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a feather  
in the busker's cap  
Concerto in D Major

—Rick Jackofsky



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dream catcher—  
listening to the dawn chorus  
a few notes to myself

—Rick Jackofsky



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how we would admire  
the shining necks of pigeons—  
were they rare

—Janna Layton



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between the trees  
and behind the hill  
day begins

—Craig Lincoln



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I close my eyes  
to feel a little more  
the depth of the sea

—Mile Lisica



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a cup of chamomile  
softly the moon  
slips under my door

—Susan Mallernee



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perfumed air  
the cherry blossoms  
ask for nothing

—Joanne Morcom



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morning sun—  
sitting  
among the leaves

—Rimi Nath



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trimmed hedge  
glimpses of life  
as a sparrow

—Polona Oblak



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elephant grasses  
bent to the shape  
of the harmattan wind

—precious oboh



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carousel pony  
straining against  
the spinning world

—John S. O'Connor



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crows tumble  
into the wind  
spring thaw

—Nancy Orr



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hot and humid  
weeds grow  
like weeds

—Nancy Orr



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her kiss  
the sweetness  
of cereal milk

— John Pappas



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busy market...  
the time a cat takes  
to lick its paws

—K Ramesh



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**lunch break  
with a book on the park bench  
first signs of spring**

—Ronald J Scully



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no one perfect  
in my fairy tale  
white snowdrops

—Richa Sharma



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autumn  
woodwind  
jazz

—Mike Stinson



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Spring buds  
unfolding  
tai chi in the park

—Sandra St-Laurent



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morning breeze  
the ocean rises  
between two palms

—Minko Tanev



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leaves falling...  
for a moment  
it feels like always

—Herb Tate



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dandelion wind...  
the first of my children  
is leaving home

—Wendy Toth-Notarnicola



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silent flight—  
through the trees  
a hawk's shadow

—Karen VanOstrand



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watering dandelions  
my wishes increase  
hundredfold

—Anjali Warhadpande



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twilight  
a blue butterfly settles  
on delphiniums

—Sheila Windsor



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an old fisherman  
untangles his net  
evening's first stars

—Robert Witmer



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sweet scent of grass...  
we sink deeper  
beneath the starless sky

—Wai Mei Wong



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country drive  
I reorient  
to landscape

—Susan Yavaniski



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snakeskin  
i slip out of  
my zoom smile

—Susan Yavaniski



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the clinking of glass  
on recycling day  
sunlit rain

—Meredith Ackroyd



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evening shift  
the dip and rise  
of goldfinches

—Meredith Ackroyd



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wolf moon  
all through the night  
a rooster's alarm

—R. Suresh babu



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Dupont Circle Metro  
sunlight rings the bell  
of a saxophone

—Joel Dias-Porter



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splashing pebbles...  
each time the pond  
reassembles the moon

—Margarita Drozdoff



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beach clean-up  
taking back the ocean  
whale song

—Bona M. Santos



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first light  
my dream suspended  
in amber

—Scott Mason



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windblown apples  
the bittersweet release  
of endings

—Ben Oliver



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Re: Last night's sunset  
May I humbly request  
More purple?

—Madelyn Rosenberg



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grey heron  
the depth of the river  
in its eyes

—Nick Taylor



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summer rainfall  
the sound of  
pumpkins ripening

—Nick Taylor



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lamb's ear pink  
the aimed descent  
of a hummingbird

—Marilyn Walker



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autumn field—  
two sides of the same flock  
taking off, landing

—Barry George



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the silence  
of the harvested field—  
moonless night

—Kashinath Karmakar



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her outline  
a shadow carved  
in sunshine

—Erin Sawden



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under a leaf  
the minutiae  
of a millipede

—Debbi Antebi



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summertime  
the generosity  
of sunflowers

—Dyana Basist



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new mother's whisper  
the strength  
of spider silk

—Robyn Hood Black



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just beyond  
memory's reach  
soft rain in the woods

—Robyn Hood Black



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sweet spring  
the first ping  
in a sap bucket

—Blumner



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butterfly on my palm...  
I change the title  
of my poetry book

—Mihovila Ceperic-Biljan



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national zoo  
a face-to-face meeting  
with rare species

—Marta Chocilowska



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missed bus  
I whistle down the path  
of wildflowers

—Marion Clarke



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first garden  
she checks for sprouts  
every hour

—Tina Crenshaw



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cool night air  
we can still hear  
the sax inside

—Tina Crenshaw



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village forest—  
from here to the river  
the sound of songbirds

—Fruitful Ayobami



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top step  
on a shaky ladder—  
sun-warmed peaches

—Karin Hedetniemi



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winter fog...  
I sharpen the folds  
of my paper crane

—Tzetzka Ilieva



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until  
the ball field is mowed  
meadow buttercups

—Paul Kulwatno



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a shell left by the ocean  
its song still inside

—Eric Lohman



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red stoplight  
suddenly I can hear  
the robin's song

—Mona Jordan



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spring cleaning—  
one by one my windows  
disappear

—Lee NASH



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dandelion tuft  
I watch her  
run for the bus

—Lorraine A Padden



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winter morning  
an old man breaks bread  
with pigeons

—Sarah Paris



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wild oats  
by the wayside  
summer wind

—Sarah Paris



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mobile phone  
vibrating on my pillow  
your name in lights

—Ciarán Parkes



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ikebana class...  
she tucks a tress  
into the plait

—Aparna Pathak



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your side, my side  
of the border  
sharing backyard birds

—Jacquie Pearce



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mid-fetch  
a puppy drops its ball  
to chase a butterfly

—Sanela Pliško



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choir practice  
a flock of garden birds  
reaching the high notes

—Anthony Rabang



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yellow butterflies  
flit in the grass—  
a new heartbeat

—Bekah Richards



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squirrel, cheeks puffed  
with acorn, sees me  
watching

— Jessica Rosenberg



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shadows lengthen  
behind cage bars...  
the tiger moves

—Suraja Roychowdhury



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Origami cranes  
folded in afternoon sun  
I sip my iced tea

—Stephanie Santana



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fallen hibiscus,  
how long will you colour  
my monday mornings

—Vani Sathyanarayan



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winter thaw  
her fingers slowly  
release mine

—Michelle Schaefer



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vintage typewriter  
the spiderling adds  
an asterisk

—Debbie Strange



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bark beetles  
the runes they leave  
behind

—Debbie Strange



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a red-tailed hawk  
ascends into blue,  
I become smaller

—Jessica Swafford



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golden grass ~  
the undulation  
of hula skirts

—Rhoda Tripp



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light dusting  
a sugar waffle  
winter garden

—C.X.Turner



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algae blooms...  
drawing a map  
to the next world

—Allyson Whipple



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Gliding in the lagoon by night  
our bodies luminous  
with plankton glow

—Mabel Yu



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picket fence...  
the butterfly's flutter  
note by note

—Ali Znaidi



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the oak leans over  
my shoulder  
reading the page

—Atlas, Grade 12



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