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I had a teacher once. I
don't know which was bigger
her heart or her eyes.

She saw through
my tears, raggedy coat
and crooked parts.

She saw all the way down
in me. Her palms on brick
looking in a well.

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