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One day I made her laugh.
Such a simple thing—my head
against her belly, my hair
in her small hand. Her laughter
was like walking backwards in a field
of happiness. I tried all day to please
her; I wanted to know every inch
of the place she called pleasure.
The years of love letters
my husband and I mailed unfolded
like tongues in an opera.