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Cars swerve and horns honk,
Slowpokes keep buzzards fed.
Swift scurriers show up in trees-
Bright beady specks of red.

Gray-Girl barks,
Treeing like we rehearsed.
Following the sound,
My footsteps cross the leafy ground.
Zacchaeus couldn't climb higher.
Twenty-two aims, then fire.

12 In the black, ground breaks.
Sure enough this will be
The coon-dick-toothpick-talisman
For my sweetheart and me.