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## Different Kinds of Heartache

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The way my heart  
 stops  
 when I see

a shadow  
 a dust mote  
 a ghost

in the shape of you  
 at the periphery

feel

nothing

like

the first big drop of a rollercoaster  
 swallowing your breath  
 and

everything

like

the gut-wrench of a car swerving  
 out of the way

just in time.

The way my heart

flutters

when I see

a loving hand  
 a kind eye  
 a smile

in the shape of him  
 coming toward me

feels

nothing

like

the flutter of not knowing  
 where you are  
 when you take a wrong turn  
 and

everything

like

the warmth of sun and fingers  
 on my skin  
 after all this time.

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