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## Story

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## STORY

ELIZABETH  
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They're there  
in the water,  
swimming

around  
each other.  
They look

like you  
expect, only  
she's paler.

And so  
you learn  
that she was sick

again but now  
is better.  
You remember

before  
there was a pond  
here

the field  
was whole  
and sloped,

no ridge  
to hide  
a stranger.