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there's a tree not far from here – the trunk is gnarled and worn – a sculptured shape – like gnomes perhaps or quiet leprechauns –

*i see them every time i pass and wonder if they're real whispering secrets in my ears before i disappear –* 

always – when i'm passing by i smile at them – like friends who visit me when i'm asleep with stories of 'let's pretend'.

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