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## I Wrote This on the Back of a Parking Ticket

Kristina Kroger

I like my coffee as black as the pupils of my enemies.

I can secure the perimeter in less than an hour.

My Taurus Moon can see through bullshit.

I've checked off my lists:

I remember to floss.

I write poetry on my parking tickets
I am an aspiring cunning linguist
I've stood naked knee-deep in a river
I construct Fantastic Accordion Adventures
I occasionally consult with spirits about lottery numbers

I conceive to own a hedgehog, and name her "Umlaut."

This is not some interesting, poetical fabrication.

This is not a verse to tickle your nose hairs.

This is not a flit of fancy-bird.

This is "I AM" crammed in three-verse form

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