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When I am an old, widowed woman,
I shall run away to Paris,
and eat chocolate truffles by the pound.
I will sip champagne
and walk barefoot in Monet’s garden.
I shall wear skin-tight leopard leotards,
silver sandals, rhinestone-studded glasses,
sit at the sidewalk cafes,
and flirt shamelessly with the young men.
I shall spend my savings
on French lace lingerie
and laugh with my lover.

I shall frequent the cabarets
and stay up all night
and tell dirty jokes to sympathetic old men.

But, for now....
I must stay at home
and set a good example for my children.

And, sometimes, listen to my very responsible husband
and pay the bills.

But maybe, just maybe, I ought to at least visit Paris
so that I will know my way around
when I am an old, widowed woman and run away!