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Ma, I've become addicted to waterfalls  
and my shrink tells me  
I have memory damage —  
Must have been that last thunderstorm  
that knocked out my hard disk.

Ma, I've become addicted to waterfalls  
and my shrink tells me  
the memories I have left are only  
the ones I dumped to floppies  
before the power hit.

Ma, I've become addicted to waterfalls  
and my shrink tells me  
it's good that I've been writing  
and storing my files for the past  
twenty years.

Ma, I've become addicted to waterfalls  
and my shrink tells me  
I have to restore the backup copies.  
I can rebuild my system  
from there.