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she knows his engine's sound
& the car door closing
waits at the window
   scissors blinds open & shut

perfects her blouse's neckline
   brushes perfume
      through her hair
tosses a soft cloud of scent

   puts away dry dishes
sweeps          flosses
   sorts ATM slips out of her wallet

she knows his tread in the hallway
   his key in the lock
makes herself    not-quite-ready
   when he arrives
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