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# She Tells Me She Has Suicidal Thoughts

*so many*

*so many*

so this was where her voice lay low  
these past weeks, and now they imitate  
the waves that rushed to us, first time  
at the ocean, jeans rolled to the thick of our calves  
and still           it wasn't long before we wore  
a sample of the ocean's body, clothes heavy as a child  
swinging from our necks; we sat like happy things  
who had never forsaken movement, and language  
was a tonic of breath and salt and a pulse impatient  
with life, brimming with life  
with only sound for what we knew  
by heart, saying over and only

*so beautiful*

*so beautiful*

over and again  
as if words could imitate the rush of waves  
carry us where they might