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In America

When we visit your grandma
your accent springs out
like a joke snake from a can.

Your voice has a vigour
new to me. I watch as you plump out
with recognition, with relief.

See you for the first time
without the mask you wear
in your other homeland.

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