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Uncertainty

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I look in the mirror and what do I see?
The reflection of a girl that I could never be.

Her eyes have seen more than most young girls could bear,
 but no single person in the world seems to care.
Her figure is tired and enervated,
 matching her pallid face that is emaciated.
Her feet have only socks to keep them warm,
 and she has no shelter to protect her from storms.
Her youth has been lost to poverty and distress,
 no good can be seen from all of this mess.

I look into the mirror once more frightened by what I see.
What can my future possibly be?