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The Old Barn

A pantoum by Karla Wendelin

Wind sighs.

Through walls scuffed by rain and years,

Sleepy owls ruffle their feathers.

Sun sifts, lingers on hay straws.

Through walls scuffed by rain and years,

Where loyal horses and patient cows stirred,

Sun sifts, lingers on hay straws.

Cobweb curtains dangle from windows.

Where loyal horses and patient cows stirred,

Bats rustle in shadowy rafters.

Cobweb curtains dangle from windows.

Mice scurry to secret nests.

Bats rustle in shadowy rafters.

Sleepy owls ruffle their feathers.

Mice scurry to secret nests.

Wind sighs.

