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My grandmother was teaching education to children in Iran during a time when education was giving

up on teaching.

When she spoke, the class listened, and

when she speaks, I listen

like a poetic magician

Teaching me how to create rice from a single grain

All while reciting her pain

Carry a Poem to Share

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