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afterwards, a rainbow

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A depthless amber glow Filters across the field Crackling in intensity With pent fury to wield. Rolling black clouds, Strutted with a lesser mass Flee before the wind And thunder resonance.

From the sullen gloom, The driven blast of rain Gluts the creeks And pummels the plain.

Thin shafts of light, Golden, moist, probing, In a cloud-filled sky Searched for an opening.

In the west, On the horizon, Entirely freed, Is the setting sun.

Against the eastern clouds A rainbow is formed. Arched against the sky, A sign if the rain's end.

In the pasture,
Every depression is a pool,
Sparkling in the sun.
Each blade of grass a jewel.

In the newly filled ponds, A frog chorus is heard. From the wet tree Sings the mockingbird.

Tiny leaf buds Stir restlessly In their husks As they open noisily.

A second rainbow
Doubles God's promises
As in the beginning
This is Genesis.



