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a neophyte reads  
revealing innermost thoughts  
achilles' heel

fear winds  
blast  
rip her cloak  
bone-chilling gales encapsulate

kind connoisseur  
encourages

blanketed in warmth  
she sees tranquillity clouds

winds die  
sunshine envelopes