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The curtains close with the performance ending tragically
An unexpected turn in the plot led to utter disaster
With the lead role falling from everything
The stage was set for beautiful joy
Gasps from the audience at the sudden change of mood
Dark was the theater and no one could breathe
All eyes were on her, as she changed her lines
Rewriting the script to her own demise
And as she lay dying, and as she lay screaming
He cried out in agony, “Encore!”