

## **Their Eyes Were Full Of Starbucks**

Once upon a time, a man  
In a brown sweater walked into a coffee shop  
And ordered tea  
With steamed milk.

When he wanted sugar, he went  
To the napkin stand to get it but  
There was a woman  
In a red hat.

“Excuse me, may I have the sugar?”  
He said  
And held out his hand.

“I’m fine, thank you for asking”  
She said  
And passed the milk.

They blinked  
Then laughed.

And he used  
The milk.  
It was a start.

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