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## Voices

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In the darkness,  
the blue, chlorinated water luminated.  
Above the surface glows  
an alien essence.  
You float so delicately against the surface,  
your hair spread like jelly fish tendrils.  
You toss your head back and laugh,  
free of the day's prior concerns--  
the agonizing giggles  
of toddlers running across the deck.  
We simply listen  
to the deep African voices  
of Midnight frogs.  
They cool themselves in the water,  
their deep green bodies seem more understanding  
as they swim across the pool,  
in the alien atmosphere.

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