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Found Poem

Less formal instruction
in grammar
will
FURTHERMORE
mean more time for students
for STUDENTS
to find out how language makes them
uniquely
human, how language not only
di—human beings—vides
but also unites them.

Laundry

I am a black sweater,
clinging to freckle,
scar, skin.
I am a slim, silky tie,
stretching every limb, every fingertip
toward the rough stubble of your
neck.
I am your tweed slacks,
whispering silent kisses over
thighs, tendons, calves.
A fleshy pair of cashmere socks that
breathes and brushes and nuzzles your
sacred ankles.
Soft and warm, I am yours always,
brown loafers
surrounding every move
with content, comfortable
embrace.

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