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She did not receive a formal education in disciplines such as mathematics, history, philosophy, and the classical languages, but she had access to scholarly libraries and was an avid reader. She began to put her own ideas to paper at a very early age, and although it was regarded as unseemly at the time for a woman to be publicly intellectual, she was able to be an intellectual in private in regular conversations with her middle-brother John. This is noteworthy because John was already a well-established scholar: In , seeking a life of independence, Lucas applied to be a maid of honor at the court of Queen Henrietta Maria. When the queen was exiled to France in , Lucas accompanied her and shortly thereafter met William Cavendish. They married in , and would remain in exile in Paris, then Rotterdam, then Antwerp until the restoration of the crown in Battigelli , 1â€” There are two reasons why it is important to mention the marriage of Margaret Lucas and William Cavendish. One is that in the mid-seventeenth-century it was unusual for a publisher to print the philosophical and scientific work of a woman. Cavendish was a sufficiently brilliant and impressive writer that she was able to publish some of her work without assistance Whitaker , , including her very first work [Poems and Fancies,], but some of her writings were published with the help of her well-connected husband. But these philosophers would not engage with her directly. Unfortunately and sadly for her and for us, she had no written philosophical correspondence with any of these philosophers. When they would not critically correspond with her in print, she engaged their views critically in the form of a correspondence between herself and a fictional third person. In her own age, she was regarded alternately as mad, pretentious, a curiosity, and a genius. She finally received some much-wanted recognition from her male peers in , when she was offered an extremely rare invitation to participate in a meeting of the Royal Society, though to be sure she was regarded as a spectacle by many in attendance Whitaker , â€” She died in December and was buried at Westminster Abbey. Over the course of her short life she produced a number of important works in philosophy. Her commitment to this tenet is reflected throughout her corpus: Nature is material, or corporeal, and so are all her Creatures, and whatsoever is not material is no part of Nature, neither doth it belong any ways to Natureâ€”. Cavendish also holds that bodies are ubiquitous and that there is no vacuum, because extensions of space cannot be extensions of nothing but must be extensions of matter. Cavendish is aware that she is writing in a tradition in which the prospect of thinking matter is not going to be taken seriously. In the eyes of many of her contemporaries and predecessors, matter is not only unintelligent, but also inert and utterly worthless. She writes, I perceive man has a great spleen against self-moving corporeal nature, although himself is part of her, and the reason is his ambition; for he would fain be supreme, and above all other creatures, as more towards a divine nature: Her view that minds are corporeal is not the view that minds are composed of raggs and shreds, but it is the purest, simplest and subtillest [sic] matter in Nature. Cavendish , Cavendish will argue that the processes that are traditionally identified as material are wondrous and impressive and that the processes that she would identify as material, but that others would identify as immaterial, are even more so. As we will see, her view on the sophistication of matter also informs other aspects of her thinking â€” for example, her metaphysics of imagination, according to which imaginings are not static pictures, but living figures that are creative and able to take on a life of their own; and also her view of the superiority of natural productions to human artifacts. According to Cavendish, the latter are composed of bodies that are put together quickly and do not have the same history of communication and synchronization as the entities that compose a production of nature Cunning , When Cavendish says that ideas are material images, or that natural productions are more sophisticated than artifacts, she is not supposing a conception of matter according to which it is static and inert and dead. Her own views employ some of the

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language of the tradition “for example matter, image, and idea” but she fleshes out her system in a number of novel directions in part because she uses that language very differently and argues that, traditionally speaking, it has been very much abused. Intelligent Matter in the History of Philosophy Cavendish is working within a philosophical tradition in which the doctrine that matter is self-moving and intelligent is almost completely unintelligible. To those of her opponents who allow that the doctrine can be entertained, it is unlikely at best, and if true it is a terrible disappointment. For Plato, souls are invisible and intangible and hence indivisible and divine, and bodies are their complete opposite 78bb. We know from an analysis of our concept of body, and from our presumably related observation of the sudden inactivity of things that die, that animated bodies have a soul and that bodies on their own are inert c-e. Our embodiment and our resulting physical needs incline us to pursue sensible objects, but these are not worthy of our attention, and they interfere with our ability to attend to things that are. We find a similar contempt for the body in prominent philosophers of later ancient philosophy and in medieval and early modern philosophers as well. He praises the sensible, but only to the extent that it imitates immaterial ideas and minds: This is why fire glows with a beauty beyond all other bodies, for fire holds the rank of idea in their regard. Always struggling aloft, this subtlest of elements is at the last limits of the bodily. Fire is still material, of course, and material things are no substitute for things that are immaterial and hence divine Plotinus continues, [A]n ugly soul is friend to filthy pleasures, it lives a life abandoned to bodily sensation and enjoys its depravity. Ugliness is due to the alien matter that encrusts him. If he would be attractive once more, he has to wash himself, get clean again, make himself what he was before. Thus we would be right in saying that ugliness of soul comes from its mingling with, fusion with, collapse into the bodily and material. A hundred years later Augustine repeats the same view exactly: How highly do you value th[e] will? You surely do not think it should be compared with wealth or honours or physical pleasures, or even all of these together. Augustine, 19 For Augustine, body is so bad that sin consists in turning our attention away from eternal things to things that are temporal and corporeal Augustine is working in the Christian tradition, and it cannot be ignored that although Christ made a tremendous sacrifice in giving up his body, the abandonment of the physical in favor of the purely spiritual reads very differently through an Augustinian and Platonic lens. This same manner of thinking finds its way into the seventeenth century as well. He brings together the whole spectrum of themes that are advanced by his body-dismissing predecessors. In Dialogues on Metaphysics and on Religion, his spokesperson Theodore says to his opponent Aristes that our embodiment is a burden and that we should neutralize it to whatever extent we can: You are now ready to make thousands and thousands of discoveries in the land of truth. Distinguish ideas from sensations, but distinguish them well. Your modalities are only darkness, remember that. Silence your senses, your imagination and your passions, and you will hear the pure voice of inner truth, the clear and evident responses of our common master. Never confound evidence, which results from the comparison of ideas, with the vivacity of the sensations which affect and disturb you. The more vivid our sensations, the more they spread darkness. We must follow Reason despite the seductions, the threats, the insults of the body to which we are united, despite the action of the objects surrounding us. Cudworth argues that there is a hierarchy of being that applies to creatures and that minds are at the top. Bodies are dead and lowly, and are squarely at the bottom: Cudworth concludes that because matter is dead, its orderly and purposive behavior can only be explained on the assumption that it is accompanied by a necessarily immaterial guide Cunning There are other philosophers in the seventeenth century who agree that matter is a detestable sort of being, but conclude that it does not exist, or at least that it does not exist as conceived by the tradition. In Anne Conway we find the view that God would not, and did not, create it: It has truly been said that God does not make death. It is equally true that he did not make any dead thing, for how can a dead thing come from him who is infinite life and love? Or, how can any creature receive so vile and diminished an essence from him who is so infinitely generous and good? Conway , 45 For Conway, God creates only beings that are alive, and so the everyday objects that surround us are something other than what Plotinus, Malebranche and Digby had thought. There exists nothing that is brute, inert, and unthinking, and instead there is a continuum of creatures

that exist on a spectrum from highly intelligent and active to largely dim and dull. Cavendish agrees with Conway that nothing answers to the traditional conception of matter, but unlike Conway she is happy to say that matter surrounds us. Unlike many of her opponents, she is not disappointed by the result that minds are material. She thinks on the contrary that it is a source of hope. For example, if we appreciate that minds are corporeal, we will be able to come up with better and more systematic and less groping treatments of mental illness. Cavendish is breaking with her tradition and arguing that the fulfillment of a person is not a matter of turning away from the body but understanding all of its dynamics and embracing it. If she can successfully defend this view, then the fact of the existence of thinking will not be evidence against the view that everything is material. One of her arguments for the doctrine of thinking matter begins with the assumption that our minds are housed in our bodies. She assumes that we are being serious when we say that our thinking takes place in the head, and concludes that to the extent to which we are speaking literally our thoughts must have figure and be spatially situated: I would ask those, that say the Brain has neither sense, reason, nor self-motion, and therefore no Perception; but that all proceeds from an Immaterial Principle, and an Incorporeal Spirit, distinct from the body, which moveth and actuates corporeal matter; I would fain ask them, I say, where their Immaterial Ideas reside, in what part or place of the Body? A related reason that Cavendish offers in favor of the view that thinking is material is that Though Matter might be without Motion, yet Motion cannot be without matter; for it is impossible in my opinion that there should be an Immaterial Motion in Nature. Cavendish is appealing to the premise that there is no immaterial motion as support her view that minds are material, and she is implicitly assuming the premise that when a person travels from one place to another, so do the thoughts that the person has along the way. I cannot conceive how it is possible, that Here Cavendish is anticipating a line of argumentation that we later find in Locke: No Body can imagine, that his Soul can think, or move a Body at Oxford, whilst he is at London; and cannot but know, that being united to his Body, it constantly changes place all the whole Journey, between Oxford and London, as the Coach, or Horse does, that carries him; and, I think, may be said to be truly all that while in motion. Locke, Locke only hints at the conclusion that minds are material, but Cavendish by contrast is not concerned to pull any punches. It is not an unwelcome appendage but instead is a straightforward consequence of tenets that she takes to be obvious. Pulling the two arguments together, modifications like motion and location pertain only to bodies, and because our minds travel with our bodies and are housed in them, they are material. Cavendish is in effect trying to corner her opponent into explaining what the sense is in which minds move or our housed in our brains if they are not material. A figure like Leibniz is comfortable elucidating the nature of immaterial minds in terms of the language of windows, dizziness, ponds and spatial perspective Monadology, sections 7, 21, 67, Cavendish is insisting that the language of motion and dimension applies to bodies alone. Another argument that Cavendish puts forward for the view that thinking is material is from mind-body interaction. First, she presupposes a standard materialist premise: She writes, In fine, I cannot conceive, how a Spirit can have the effects of a body, being none it self; for the effects flow from the cause; and as the cause is, so are its effects. Cavendish, it is, in my opinion, more probable, that one material should act upon another material, or one immaterial should act upon another immaterial, then that an immaterial should act upon a material or corporeal. Cavendish, This is a standard kind of argument that we find in philosophers ranging from Lucretius to Gassendi to Spinoza to Searle: There are obvious cases like our perception of the sun, which had better be far away if we are to be in a position to sense it, and also cases like a shout of loud noise. But Cavendish holds that in the end these amount to interaction by contact. She writes, For in some subjects, Sympathy requires a certain distance; as for example, in Iron and the Loadstone; for if the Iron be too far off, the Loadstone cannot exercise its power, when as in other subjects, there is no need of any such certain distance, as betwixt the Needle and the North-pole, as also the Weapon-salve; for the Needle will turn it self towards the North, whether it be near or far off from the North-pole; and so, be the Weapon which inflicted the wound, never so far from the wounded Person, as they say, yet it will nevertheless do its effect: But yet there must withal be some conjunction with the blood; for as your Author mentions, the Weapon shall be in

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vain anointed with the Unguent, unless it be made bloody, and the same blood be first dried on the same Weapon. Likewise the sounding of two eights when one is touched, must be done within a certain distance: As we will see in more detail later, she subscribes to an occasionalist doctrine of causation that would appear to allow that causation often occurs at a distance. For Cavendish, bodies never transfer motion to other bodies, but instead a body always moves by its own internal motions.

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Chapter 2 : Margaret Lucas Cavendish (Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy)

*The Conversion of Margaret Lucas () : In Her Own Words [Margaret Lucas] on calendrierdelascience.com *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers. When year-old Margaret became a Quaker in , the quiet of Quaker practice was a sharp contrast to her family.*

I give, to wanderers weary, rest from the road and greeting: Cool and unpolluted from my spring the water flows. Lucas dedicated much of his time to making classical mainly Greek poetry accessible to modern readers through verse translations. No single translator had attempted before to bring together in homogeneous volumes so much of the best of Greek poetry from Homer to the 6th century A. Reviewers generally preferred his translations of lyric, Alexandrian and later poetry to the 7, rhymed lines from Homer, which were omitted from the second edition Everyman Library , Lucas dedicated the book to T. Lawrence , a friend and admirer. The three novels focus on a love-affair between an Englishman and a Frenchwoman Lucas was a self-confessed gallomane [] ; the Scots novella takes the form of an account, written by a Scottish minister in middle age, of his youthful bewitchment by Elspeth Buchan and of his curious sojourn among the Buchanites. A theme common to all four is the tension between fragile 18th-century rationalism and, in varying forms, Romantic "enthusiasm" and unreason. Poems[edit] As a poet Lucas was a polished ironist. Early collections Time and Memory, , Marionettes, , Poems, were mostly personal lyrics or satires, but he came to specialise in dramatic monologues and narrative poems based on historical episodes "that seem lastingly alive" From Many Times and Lands, Then fades the phantom, and once more I know Our spider-webs of wire are rust by now, Our battlefields reconquered by the plough, And hands that worked with mine, dust long ago. The real stroke of originality is to make the Minotaur Minos himself in a bull-mask. An ordinary love-affair is not what she wants; she has to seek the Ideal [Dionysus]. His political drama The Bear Dances: This play, though it closed early in London, was revived by various repertory theatres in the North of England in the later s. His "north-bank" thesis [] on the location of the Battle of Pharsalus 48 B. It was because England hedged then, that we all but perished in the ditch beyond. Lucas, The Week-end Review, 16 Sept. Following the inaction of the League over Manchuria , he called repeatedly for "a League within the League", of nations pledged to uphold international law and oppose aggression. Germany must not be allowed to re-arm. By an international police-force? It would be ideal. Unfortunately it does not exist. The French have urged it. We in our muddle-headedness want neither it nor the alternative " war. Are we prepared to see France do its work instead and take action in Germany? I devoutly hope the first. Germany must not re-arm; even if the French had to invade it once every five years, that would be better than the alternative. We have forgotten the wisdom which says that since we cannot foresee where any road will lead in the end, we should stick to the straight and honest one. Paris may pass in gas and flame and blood " We shall sit safe behind our sundering flood. Berlin may build a Holier Inquisition " It will but mean an extra-late edition. Hitler be hailed through all a wrecked Ukraine " We shall just read, and turn to golf again. For God, the day our guardian seas He took, Gave us the broad breast of a Beaverbrook ; Round us, though fails the Channel " never fear! In these activities he was inspired by the example of "that grand old man" [] H. Nevinson , "one of the most striking personalities I have ever known", [53] "whose long life has been given to Liberty". The "high source" he refers to in Journal was probably Harold Nicolson. Of Chamberlain at Munich he wrote 30 September: Any statesman with a sense of honour would at least have stilled that hysterical cheering and said: My friends, for the present, we are out of danger. But remember that others, who trusted in us, are not. This is a day for relief, perhaps; but for sorrow also; for shame, not for revelling. But this Chamberlain comes home beaming as fatuously as some country-cousin whom a couple of card-sharpers in the train have just allowed to win sixpence, to encourage him. And that will settle everything. In August he received a reply from Goebbels , advising him to heed public opinion. Special Search List G. Bletchley Park], throwing a correspondent off the scent. A brilliant linguist [25] with infantry and Intelligence Corps experience from "18, proven anti-fascist

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credentials and a scepticism about the Soviet Union, Lucas was one of the first academics recruited by the Foreign Office " on 3 September " to Bletchley Park. He was one of the original four members of Hut 3 , whose organisation he set up, [] and from March to July , when the Hut was run by committee, acting head. Hut 3 General Intelligence], on the busy 4 p. From rail movements towards Moldavia in the south to ship movements towards Varanger fjord in the far north there is everywhere the same eastward trend. Either the purpose is blackmail or it is war. No doubt Hitler would prefer a bloodless surrender. But the quiet move, for instance, of a prisoner-of-war cage to Tarnow looks more like business than bluff. Ian Petticrew He also wrote confidential Special Reports for the Bletchley Park Director-General, one on Second Front rumours in German signals, and another, with Peter Calvocoressi , in early on the failure of Allied intelligence to foresee the German counter-offensive through the Ardennes in December Lucas and Calvocoressi concluded that "the costly reverse might have been avoided if Ultra had been more carefully considered". Rose, head Air Adviser in Hut 3, read the paper at the time and described it in as "an extremely good report" that "showed the failure of intelligence at SHAEF and at the Air Ministry". It was probably the "Top Secret [intelligence] digest", a post-mortem on that failure, referred to by General Strong , "both record-copies of which were destroyed". Having laid out the statistics to and future projections, he argued that the "reckless proliferation" of homo sapiens, as well as impoverishing the world by environmental damage and species-extinctions, would be damaging to the individual and to society: Vast communities lead to small individuals; and the real worth of any community lies in the worth of its individuals The individual comes to feel himself a mere drop in the ocean; and feeling impotent, he grows irresponsible Vast democracies cannot keep the virtues of democracy. A world-structure too elaborately scientific, if once disrupted by war, revolution, natural cataclysm or epidemic, might collapse into a chaos not easily rebuilt. Lucas, *The Greatest Problem* , p.

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Chapter 3 : List of Once Upon a Time characters - Wikipedia

Paige VanZant ready to make Felice Herring eat her own words.

Chicago The Light in the Piazza During a talk at the Goodman Theatre on January 5, composer-lyricist Adam Guettel promised a good cry to anyone who saw his new musical, The Light in the Piazza, which was about to begin previews at the theater for its second production. At this point in act two, you believe the dream will go unrealized. These are high stakes indeed. This is a story with emotions so intense they need music to be fully expressed. Margaret describes Clara as a "special child" and "not everything that she seems to be. Clara has met Fabrizio, a sweet and handsome young Florentine. Though the theme of the piece is not evident until this late point in the action, it is meticulously and quietly set up. He is physically remote as well, having stayed home in North Carolina to tend to his responsibilities as a tobacco company executive. The abilities of these two sets of couples to connect are contrasted. Clara and Fabrizio manage to fall in love in spite of a language barrier, while Margaret and husband Roy can barely converse over the phone due to the delay in their overseas connection. Still, it would be better if the writers could bring us into their minds and backstories to a greater degree, and they have plenty of playing time to do that. The entire show runs just over two hours, including a minute intermission, and the first act is just an hour. Writers who have the courage to be succinct and economical can be appreciated, but a little more investment in Clara and Fabrizio could pay big dividends. Clark gives Margaret a knowing sense of humor, but shows her vulnerability effectively as well. Lucas and Guettel may also want to work a little more on finding a consistent tone. Comic relief is one thing, and is appreciated in a piece with the emotional weight Piazza seeks to achieve, but the nature and amount of the humor seem off-balance here. Just after intermission, when Fabrizio is expressing inconsolable grief at his separation from Clara, his mother, played with expert comic timing by Patti Cohenour, breaks character and explains the action to the audience in English, saying, "I thought you should know. Though hardly traditional in structure, he gives us enough repetition of phrases and relatively predictable patterns of construction that we can "get" the songs the first time around. The score is apparently still undergoing some editing and tweaking - just ten days after the first preview, an insert stuffed into programs showed a different list of musical numbers from that printed in the program. Two songs were cut from act one and others assigned to different or additional characters. The score has many high points. In "Passeggiata," Fabrizio takes Clara on a tour of his neighborhood. Guettel does an amazing job of writing lyrics in Italian and broken English that are just right for the character, the scene and the song. The music conveys his enthusiasm and his urgency to bring Clara into his life. She explains her love to her mother in the lovely title song, the closest thing to a catchy melody in the show. Additional musical theater conventions would have characters singing in musical idioms that would be familiar to them, which for many characters would be something much more pop-influenced than this score. The music is rich enough to merit this attention, yet this deviation from the norm will be jarring for some audiences. The challenging nature of the music, more influenced by 20th century classics than by mid-century show tunes, may make it an additionally tough sell to mainstream audiences. Guettel has expressed a desire to get a show to Broadway someday, but I think this piece will be best suited for a very small house. With a cast of seven principals, an ensemble of four, an orchestra of five and a minimal set, it seems a little small even for the seat Albert Theater at the Goodman. On the other hand, a little more stage "magic" might enlarge the piece without breaking it. His staging of the opening number, "Statues and Stories," which establishes the setting of the Piazza in Florence and is the only number to use the full cast, is rather unimaginative and gets the show off to a slow start. He took over direction of Piazza for the Goodman production after Lucas directed its world premiere at the Intiman last summer. Lucas and Guettel might want to try a third director with more musical theater experience who can help shape the piece further for their next production. The Light in the Piazza is an ambitious, thoroughly original work of musical theater that will be a must for those interested in seeing the art form explore new boundaries. It has a strong score and story with the

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potential of becoming one of the first important musicals of the century. The Goodman Theatre is located at N. For ticket and performance information phone , or visit www. Book by Craig Lucas. Music and Lyrics by Adam Guettel. Based on the novella by Elizabeth Spencer. Directed by Bartlett Sher. Music Director - Ted Sperling. Choreographer - Marcela Lorca.

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Chapter 4 : F. L. Lucas - Wikipedia

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Chapter Text Emma woke up slowly to cold pricking at her nose and the muffled sound of running water. At first she thought it was rain – just the thought of having to haul in damp firewood by the armful had her frowning into her pillow – but then she heard the unmistakable clatter of a pot hitting the side of the sink. A warm and friendly voice greeted her from the TV in the living room, announcing that the forecast called for snow. The guy pretended to shiver while he discussed the near-record lows the area had encountered the night before, and Emma smiled a little bitterly to herself. He went on to guess at just how much snow would fall on them between now and tomorrow night – ten to forty centimeters felt like a wide range to her. Rather than try and imagine the type of person who would willingly sleep surrounded by ice, Emma slid out of her seat and made her way into the kitchen. Whatever Killian was doing with the pans could probably become a two-person job. He was near elbow-deep in soap suds at the sink, head down and lip bit in concentration as he scrubbed at an large metal pan. A little hiss of satisfaction left him as the offending spot of food came free, and then he seemed to snap out his lemon-scented stupor. She was sure she looked similarly sleep-disheveled in her sweatpants and sideways ponytail, but she doubted it had the effect on him that he did on her. A moment or two of quiet went by, and then he read her mind. There was no chance of convincing him to let her buy one of those ready-made packages they sold on the grill aisle, assuming there were any left when they made it to the store. She was used to long hours spent trailing along the undeveloped side of the lake, where bear tracks occasionally mixed with those left by the smaller wildlife. What she got instead was a smile that stopped short to make way for a flash of unabashed surprise. The oven timer went off, startling them both out of the moment. Killian ran his hand across his jaw, fingers scratching through ginger scruff, and when it fell he looked more like himself. Whether he knew he was doing it or not, Killian eased her worries as the morning went on. They re-learned the aisles of Foodland together, making up for a year spent on the other side of the continent as they piled fresh groceries into their cart. His delight was magnetic, reminding her of one of the differences between them – she practiced survival with almost no self-indulgences to her name, and he had no trouble following his heart toward things that caught his eye. She waited for the shadow to return to his eyes on the drive back to the house, but none came, even as they shoved their food into the creaky kitchen cabinets and moved out to chop fresh firewood into kindling. His eyes turned skyward every so often, narrowed at some indefinable point in the endless grey ocean of clouds. If he was right, they had plenty of time to watch the storm roll in and dump snow on them. The lake is freezing over. Still, she ventured, it was beautiful. As years passed and the tree line grew thicker, their view of the moonlight falling over the water remained unencumbered. Her plan was to do exactly that without moving from her perch on the couch, provided their firewood lasted the night. Killian, it seemed, had reached a different conclusion. Emma hardly had time to shout a complaint about the energy he was wasting before he returned to her, a steaming cup cradled in his palms. Killian always showed her so much of himself without even questioning what he was giving away, much less who he was giving it away to. She rose up to follow him outside, ignoring the protesting goosebumps on her skin as she slid her feet back into her boots and stepped across the threshold to join him. Had he always been so warm to the touch, or was her own icy skin confusing her? Killian patted her hand with his and then he released her to squat down, dragging lines into the snow. At first she thought he was trying to measure what had fallen so far, but there was no sense in the patterns he created. It came away at his slight touch, rising off the snow and catching new flakes on the way. Want to do the honors? Her preference for breakfast foods had nothing to do with it, either. There was so much flavor and warmth in the bite that she was only too happy to wait for the rest of it to freeze up before heading inside, even as snow began falling thick on top of both their shoulders. Appealing to her sweet tooth had certainly been a good place to start. Emma stood by Killian as he ran his hands under the faucet and cleared the syrup from his fingertips.

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Reaching out with clean fingers, she turned it from one side to the other, continuing her examination even as she felt his eyes land on her. The current phase of the moon was inlaid in a panel smaller than her pinky nail, surrounded by a dozen scattered pinpricks of stars. Emma laid it on her wrist while he dried his hands off, just to see how much bigger his hands were, before turning it over. He was still trying to hold it back from her as they stood staring at each other, little drips from the faucet punctuating the silence, but eventually the wall came tumbling down. My father gave him this watch when he turned seventeen, before he left us for the Naval Academy. He toured for three years after that, and then his ship was raided by Somalian pirates. The urge to run out of the kitchen was overwhelming. Emma looked at the watch and then back up at him again before stepping closer. She uncurled his fingers one by one, setting the watch into his palm, and made sure he had a good grip on it before pulling them out of the kitchen and leaving him at the foot of the stairs. None of the heavy tension from downstairs clouded the air in her room, but she only stayed long enough to gather her blanket off of her hastily made bed. He opened his mouth as her feet fell to the last step of the stairs, but she spoke before his breath could leave him. Her gaze fixed on the flames in the fireplace, determinedly giving him the opportunity to leave her if he wanted to. After forcing him so much out of him already, this had to be his choice. The blanket rustled as he picked it up, accidentally tugging an edge of it off her as his hip settled next to hers. He let out a heavy sigh, one she felt as well as heard, and when he spoke up next his voice was hardly louder than a whisper. She just scrabbled her fingers under the blanket until they caught his and waited for him to go on. We were the only real family we ever had, he and I, but he liked to make a big deal out of it. The wanker made me buy a real tree every year after I started work, you know. He was a lost boy, and she was a lost girl. She recognized something in him that understood her better than she had known someone could. An apology came to her lips more than once, but she held herself back, and little by little the snow piled onto every surface it could find. Even when another log was needed, he came right back to the warmth that was his leg pressed against hers and their fingers twined together, like there had never been distance between them. If she let her cheek fall against the curve of his collarbone once the fire went out, it was because her blanket only stretched so far around them both, not because she wanted to feel his heartbeat fall in and out of sync with hers. If neither of them went upstairs for the night at all, it was simply because they were exhausted, not because something soft and fragile had grown without her permission to be there.

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