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You are awfully quiet Blending into the hospital bed Like a chameleon in distress

And although I cannot speak to you In your native tongue I will communicate through smiles and nods Through pain scales and treatment regimens

Until we develop a shared understanding Of our eagerness to experience Each other's customs

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