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I lifted my axe and the wind howled  
I took a swing and the tree screeched  
Night crept slowly upon the forest  
Covering the faces of the flowers  
So they could not see the horror  
I took a swing and the tree yelped  
It recoiled and stayed on its feet  
I took a swing and the tree moaned  
Its knees buckled from strain  
Sending its body plummeting to the ground  
That night the forest wept