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The girl pulled on her ripped, worn-out coat as the icy wind blew. Her cold, shoeless feet were beginning to turn blue so she looked for somewhere to keep warm. Out of the corner of her eye, she saw the rickety, wooden gate with rusted hinges leading to a small shed behind the trees.