

To My New Lover

I shall learn to love you
in increments. This way I shall
contain my fear.

“In increments” works a treat,
is gentle and
nurtures the spirit.
A sidelong glance,
a gasp of realization,

a tiny fist begins to pulse
around my heart.

I can take it all in increments.

That’s how I shall learn to love you,
as I learned to drive,
a new objective every day

because

when you use up an increment,
another immediately takes its place, and it
continues – incrementally

forever...



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