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Shatterproof

I wake up to the sound of breaking glass.
As I enter my living room, I see the remains of my
desktop lamp littering the floor
and my cat playfully batting at the shattered pieces.
I remember being awakened by the sound of
breaking glass when I was six years old.
I remember wandering into my parents' kitchen,
rubbing the sleep from my eyes.
I remember seeing the remains of a plate being
swept into a dustpan
by my mother's hunched over silhouette.
I remember her tears and I remember her voice
telling me to go back to bed,
telling me that everything was okay.
I pat my cat on the head and I tell her that
everything is okay.
Then, I go back to bed,
leaving the mess for the morning.