

A grocery list found in a pocket at the end of another story

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some apples
some raisins
some chicken
and peas
some coffee
cigarettes
cinnamon
please
eggs and
bananas
guava juice
cream
lettuce
tomatoes
and doesn't
it seem
absurd to
be writing
a list just
for one
without
a short note
at the end
when it's done?
like, "bring me
a present."
or "hurry

back home."
"i love you."
"i miss you."
or maybe,
a poem
toothpaste
some razors
light bulbs
and oil.
chorizo
some tacos
some seafood
to broil
some soap
with a scent
reminiscent
of pine
some sugar
some cocoa
two bottles
of wine

