



Dreamweavers

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We are entitled to our own
definitions of the world
we have in common

earth	house	(stay)
water	well	(carry)
fire	stove	(tend)
air	song	(sigh)
ether	dream	(die)

and try out new combinations
with key words
unlocking power

house on fire	<i>sing!</i>
stove under water	<i>stay,</i>
earth filled well	<i>die.</i>

The spells and spellings
of our vocabularies

are oracular
in translation.

One woman in Pagnito-an
another in Solentine
still another in Harxheim
naming
half the world together

can move their earth
must house their fire
be water to their song
will their dreams well.