

Going out

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she didn't complain

Center balanced
she paddled steadily
fearless

Up into the lake
medium waves
and heavy
constant wind
coming straight at us

Working simply
rhythmically
we glided through
synchronized
to ourselves
our canoe
and paddles
to wind
and water

Angled right
to the first point

Closer in
passed two
empty camp sites
then two more points
and a third site
also empty

Ours

We brought the canoe
in

Took our clothes
off

to enjoy
late afternoon
sun

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