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by Amy Thompson

Tender, painful to the touch.
purple in the center-
but slowly fading to yellow around the edges.

An apple dropped on the ground at the grocery store.

A walking modernist painting.

This mark on my face that shows everyone how
weak I am-
how powerful you are.

Now I know how it feels,
and you will never get the chance
to show me how it feels again.

