A Red Sweatshirt

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A red sweatshirt is left on the bus

In row 22.

It's an extra small, with a penny in the left pocket

And an eraser in the right.

The cloth is squished between the seat and the side of the metal wall.

It tries to hide from the driver

But it is spotted

The careless hands grab it but drop it when shouts are heard.

The red sweatshirt is left under the seat on a bus

In row 21.

It's an extra small, with a ripped zipper

And a chocolate stain on the left sleeve.

The cloth is hidden under the seat and is forgotten for the night.

It will be found the next day

But no one moves it.

The red sweatshirt is lost under the plastic seats.

It will be lost under the bottoms of every age for years

Until it disappears