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WordsUncaged Submission

“Stranger than Fiction”

When you eat your last meal, was it hot? For most people, they will say, “yes, of course,” unless you are incarcerated. A strange thing happened at dinner last night. The food was hot enough that I actually blew on it before eating. I glanced around and saw others doing the same thing. Why is this simple thing so strange? In my 25 years of incarceration, this simple action is an extreme rarity and we are more accustomed to cold/warm food. Butter does not melt! That’s a fact we know. Lettuce is warm; a fact we know. Food is not hot—ever—well, there are rarities here and there.

Now which reality is stranger than fiction? The one we know, or yours?