

## The Trouble With Poets

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The trouble with poets is they talk too much  
They tell us it hurts them a little more  
And we cannot tell if they make this up  
We've never stood in their shoes, in skins, in their heads, on  
their shores

The trouble with you is you drive me nuts  
I cannot tell what's behind your smile  
What can we find just to lift us up  
Just for tonight, for a time, for the sake us of all for awhile

I know it's only trouble  
I know it makes us real  
I wish that peace of mind was something I could steal

The trouble with shoes is they come untied  
You might take a fall down the stairs  
And a poet might come along and say,