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I have to write  
a haiku.



I don't know  
where to start.



Let's start  
at the beginning.

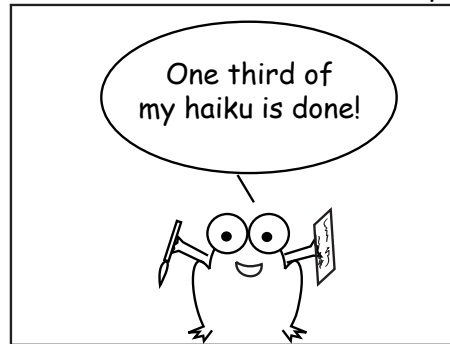
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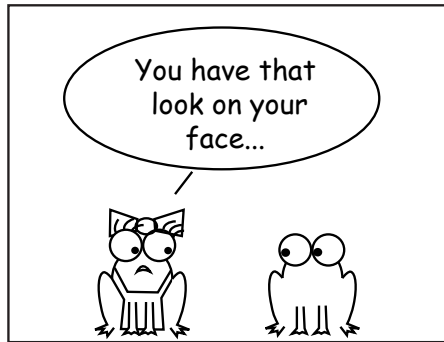
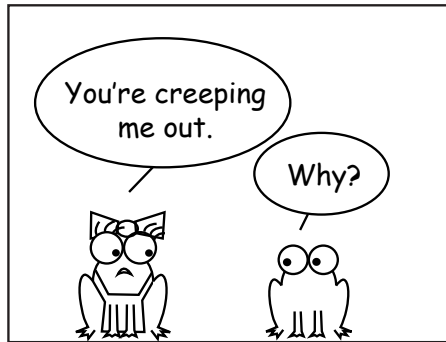
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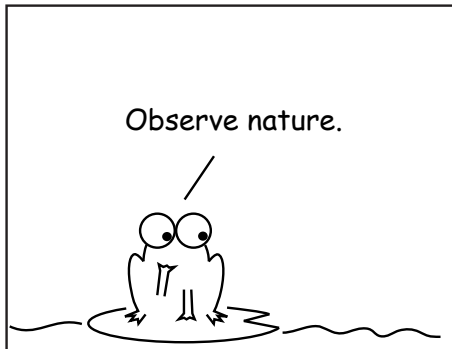
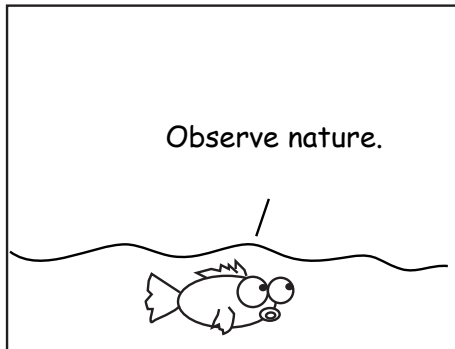
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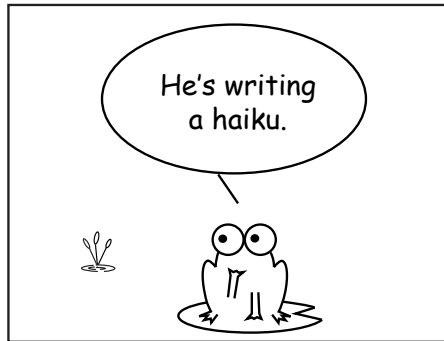
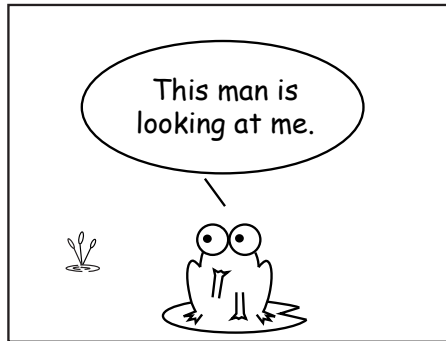
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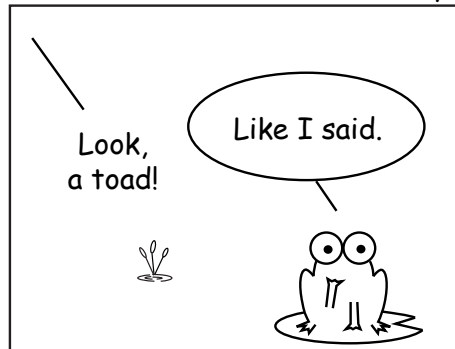
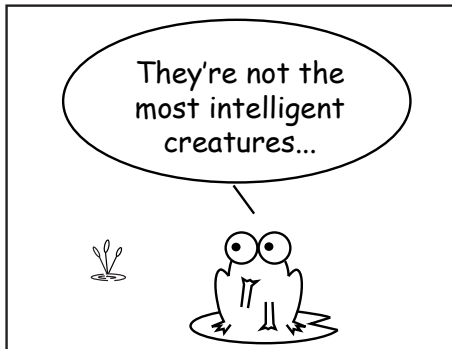
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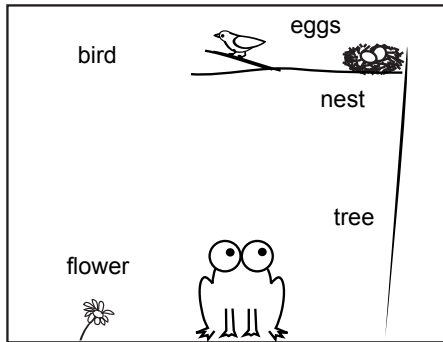
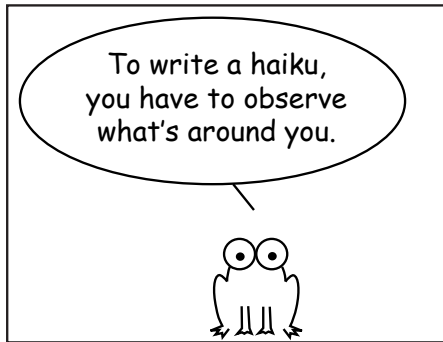


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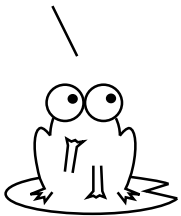


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A haiku is what's  
happening here and now.



Not much  
is happening here now,  
so...



The sound of the water!



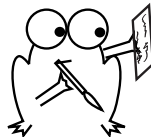


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If a human  
can write a haiku,  
so can I.



I just need  
to pick a subject



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Pick me!



Pick me!



Pick me!

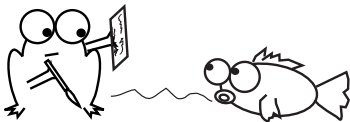


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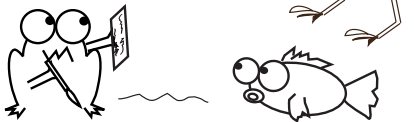
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Kaeru holds auditions.

Why should I write  
a haiku about you?



Because there aren't  
a lot of haiku  
about fish-



But there are  
lots of haiku  
about fisherkings.



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Why should I write  
a haiku about you?



...



Sorry, I can't  
hear you.



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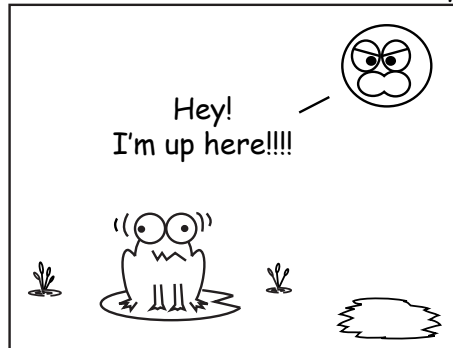
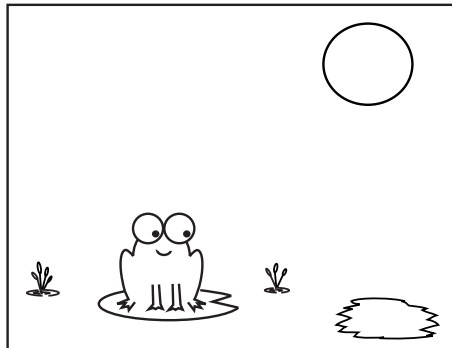
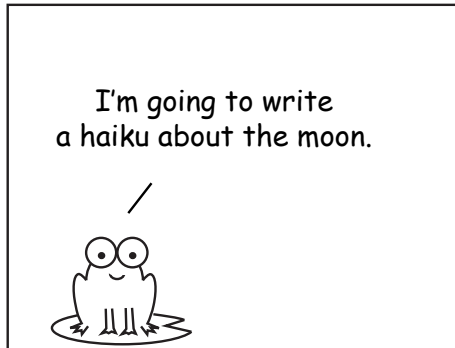
'CAUSE I'M CUTE  
AND MODEST!



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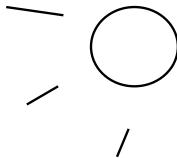


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I'm going to write  
a haiku about the sun.



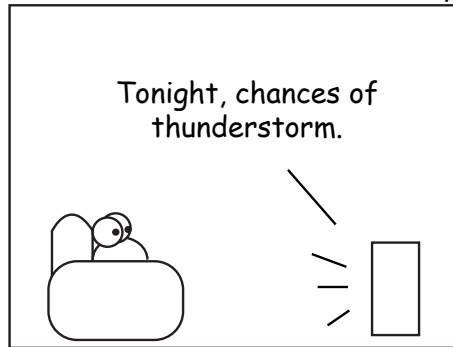
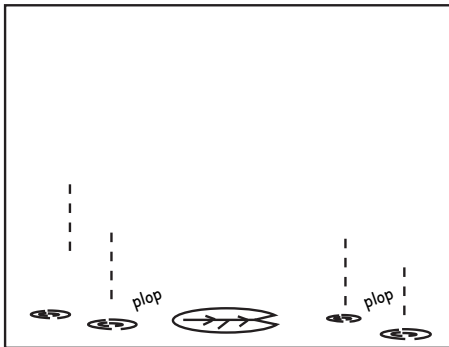
It's weird to write a  
haiku about something  
you can't look at directly.



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a list of season words.



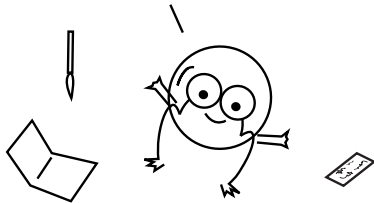
\*book of season words

You can write haiku  
about astronomy.



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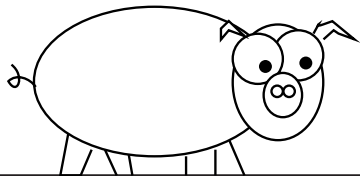
I've always wanted  
to go to space.



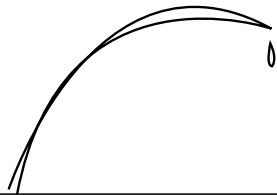
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You can write haiku  
on animals...



...or on plants



...but I prefer on paper.



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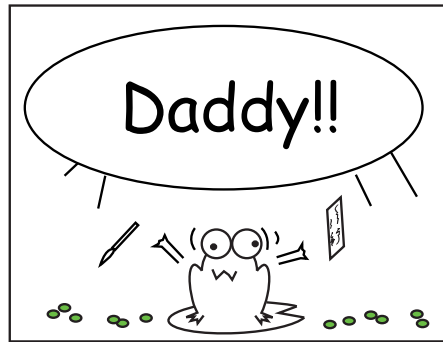
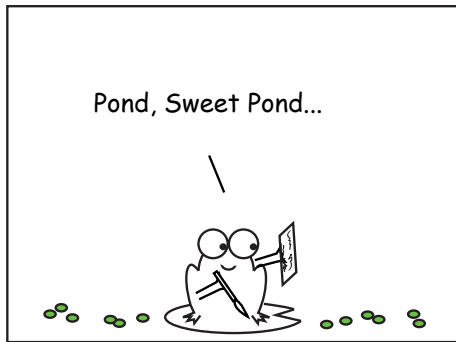
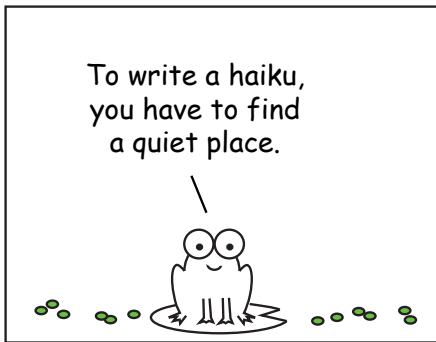
I feel less special.



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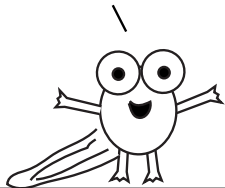


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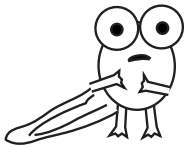
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When I lose my tail,  
I want to be a haiku poet,  
just like daddy!

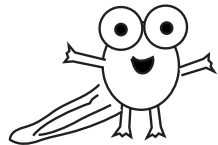


What does  
a haiku poet do?

Uhhhh.



Nothing.

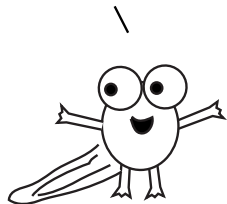


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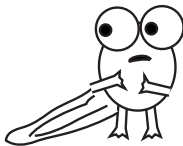
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Daddy, I want to help you  
find a haiku.

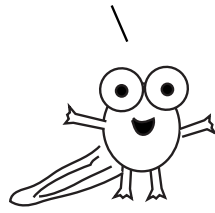


Do you even know  
what a haiku is?

No.



But I'm good  
at finding things!

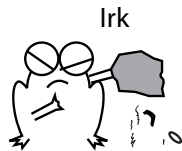


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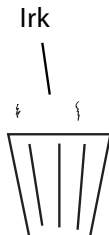
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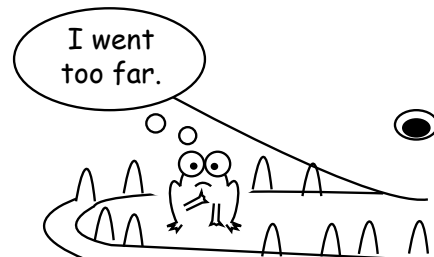
A haiku can be hidden under a rock.



In the garbage...



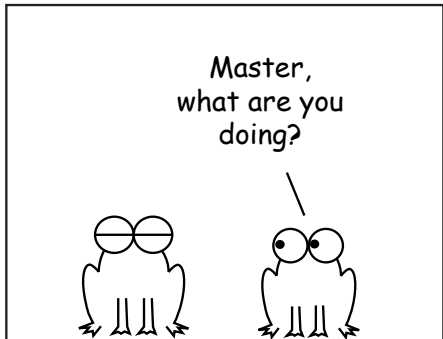
In a whale's mouth...



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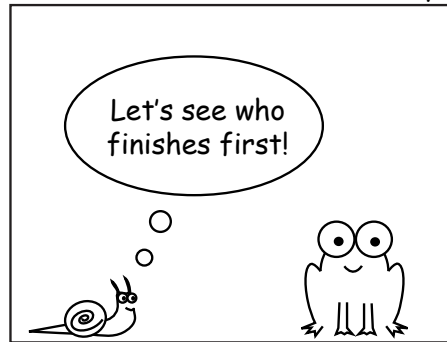
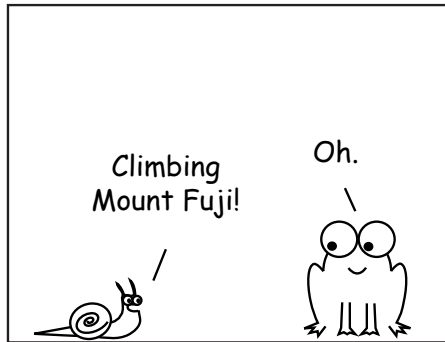
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to climb Mount Fuji  
than to write a haiku.

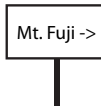


So I went hiking



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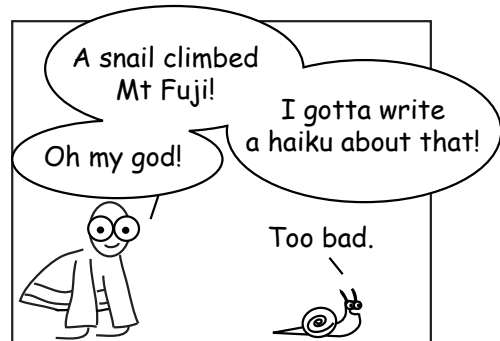
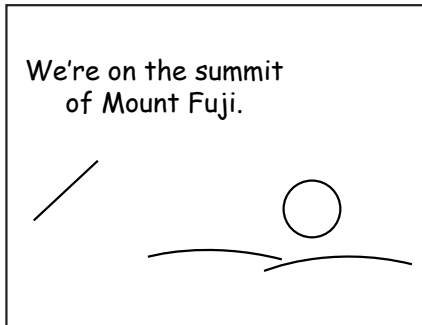
We're almost  
there!



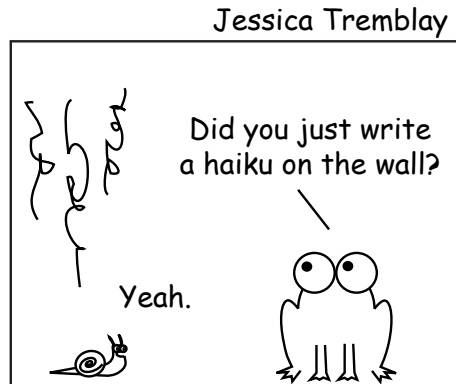
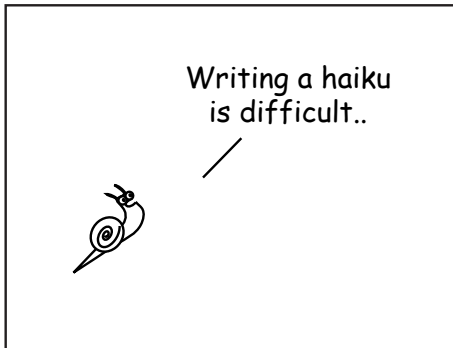
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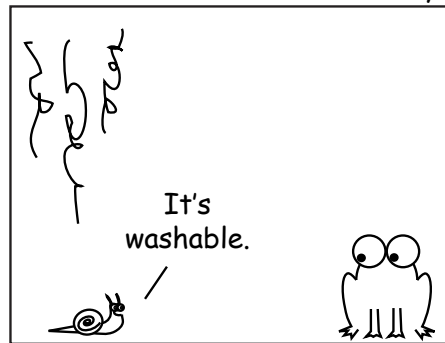
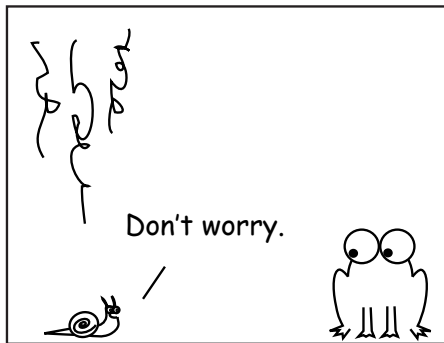
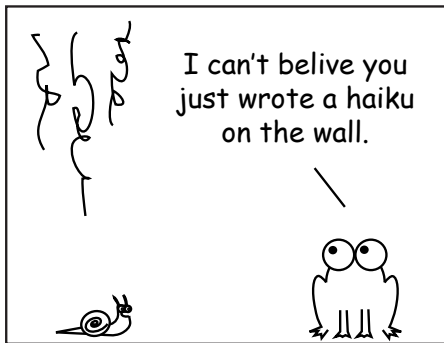


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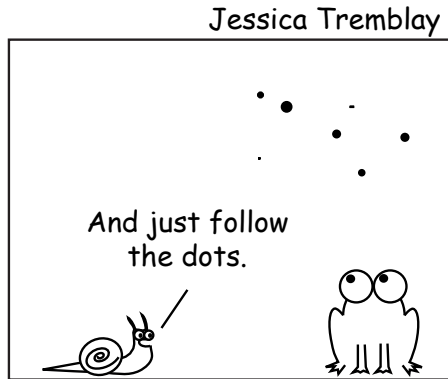
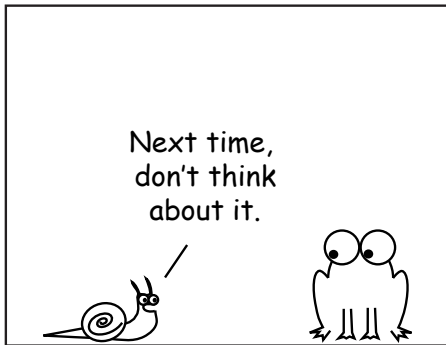
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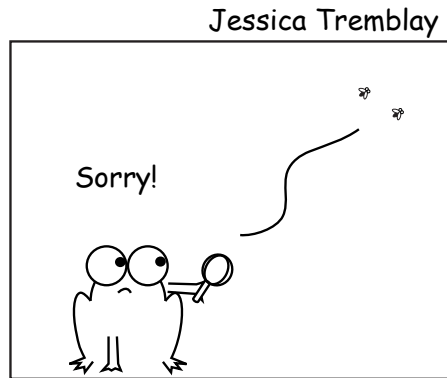
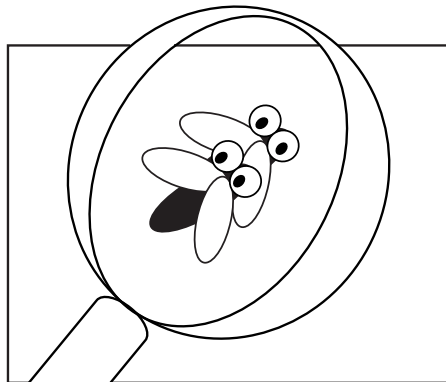
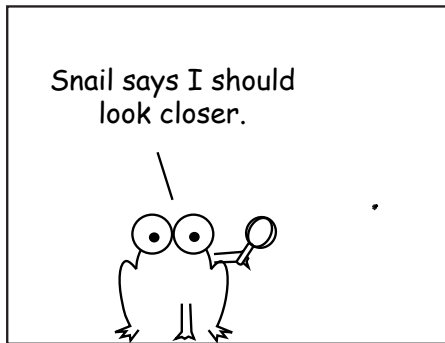
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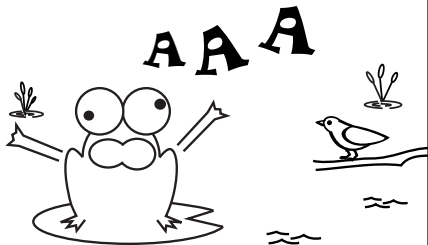


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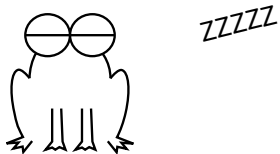
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For some people, haiku comes in a sneeze.



For some people, haiku comes in a dream

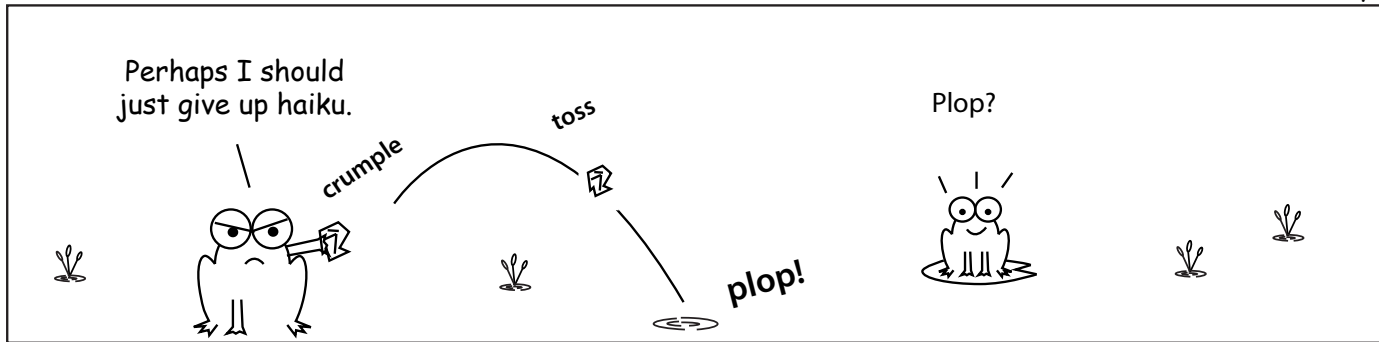


And for some people, haiku doesn't come at all.



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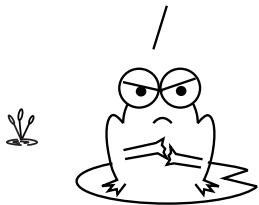


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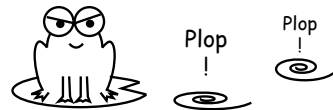
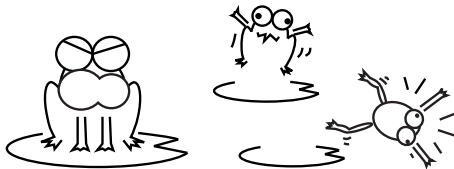
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I can't believe tossing  
my haiku resulted in this toad  
getting a haiku enlightenment!



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