

Why I Read the Sports Pages

I read the sports pages
because it's fun to care deeply
about something
that doesn't really matter.

I read the sports pages
because I like to just relax
sometimes
with a cup of tea.

I read the sports pages
because it's too cold outside.

I read the sports pages
because the price of gasoline
went up again.

I read the sports pages
because there is a limit
to how many times I can masturbate
in one day.

I read the sports pages
because it's too hot outside.

I read the sports pages
to remind myself that there's one
section of the newspaper
where they actually
tell us the truth—well, mostly.

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