

Lanterne

Spiritual

Mind
refined,
graceful, light
airy movement,
wit.

Like
angel
luminous,
spiritual
too

To
bad I
am lumpish,
darkle, thinking
slow.

I'm
maybe
chatoyant-
fluxuating
light

At
best I'm
connecting
some possible
ties.

I
remain
questioning
true meaning of
life.

But
to be
dreaming of
spiritual-
joy.

Phases of the Moon

Light Dot Spots

Stars
pinprick
sky fabric.
Moon a polka-
dot.

Halloween Beacon

Moon
flashlights
witches' flight
lights ghosts return
home.

Adolescent Moon

Scars,
peeled scabs
reveal pocks
punctures, acned
face.

Reflection

Moon's
wry smile
in faceless
sky reflect my
grin.

Harvest Moon

Orb
sliced thin
diets while
orange omen
peels.

Garden Lanterns

Red
dahlia
bleeds petals,
fades pink before
dead.

Pear
Buddhas
heavenward
bring us back to
earth.

Bugs
and worms
gnaw apples
like moon crater
spheres.

Slug
nibbles
strawberry
to head-size
cap.

Corn
phallic
hangs easy.
Pubic hair waits
sways.

Shooting Stars

Moon
marble,
scatter clouds.
They obscure star
shoot.

Ode to Universal Elements

Let
rain splash
window's face
and mine in wet
joy.

Let
sun burn
other's skin
not peel, cancer
mine.

Let
moon glow
romance not
lunacy on
earth.

Let
stars shine,
light darkness
airless, lifeless
space.

Lanterne Variations of Robert Frost

Trees Make Good Neighbors

Blue
spruce pines
heavenward,
blocks neighbor's yard
view.

When Two Paths Diverge in Woods

Two
paths fork
in forest—
either one, I'm
lost.

Divide, Divide

Fame
fortune
friendship, love
share with others
give.

When I See Certain Trees

East-
birches.
West-aspens.
Beauty bends my
mind.

Stopping By Woods on a
Rainy Afternoon

Leaves
lovely
damp and deep.
Hours to go to
dry.

Acquainted with Insomnia

Sleep
evades.
Stars and rain
don't drop my eyes—
book.

Ice and Fire

World
could freeze,
sunburned crisp,
universe suck
air.

Lanterne: Centered cinquó.

Made to look like lantern.

Created by Frank Merrill

Unrhymed.

Syllable count: 1-2-3-4-1. 5 lines.

Lanternes should have deep thought

growth quality like haiku,

be full of light, whimsy,

express mood, present a mini-drama

with a climax and terse ending. They

can be linked into

Lanterne Links.

Also duos, trios, etc.

The e on the end is French spelling.

Also looks like an evergreen.