Exemplar Read-Aloud Poetry – “Fireflies.”


Light
Night
is our parchment
fireflies
flitting
fireflies
glimmering
glowing
Insect calligraphers
practicing penmanship
Six-legged scribblers
of vanishing messages,
Fine artists in flight
adding dabs of light
Signing the June nights
as if they were paintings
flickering
fireflies
fireflies.

Light
is the ink we use
Night
We’re
fireflies
flickering
flashing
fireflies
gleaming
Insect calligraphers
copying sentences
Six-legged scribblers
fleeting graffiti
Fine artists in flight
bright brush strokes
Signing the June nights
as if they were paintings
We’re
fireflies
flickering
fireflies.


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