

**PERSONIFICATION:**

THE PRACTICE OF REPRESENTING A THING OR IDEA AS A PERSON IN ART, LITERATURE, ETC.

**MY HAPPINESS**

I laid my happiness in a field  
My happiness lay in the field and looked up at the sky  
My happiness extended the same courtesy to the clouds  
My happiness in the field was visible for miles around  
My happiness was visible to the hawk  
My happiness was fond of the beetle beside it

A porcupine lumbered by  
My happiness followed it  
Perhaps because it was being followed  
the porcupine "stole" my happiness  
My happiness lumbered along after itself, happily  
We came to a road  
The porcupine went into a culvert and didn't come out  
And that was the end of my happiness

-- [Mary Ruefle](#)

**Vocabulary:**

**extended (verb):** to cause (something, such as your arm or leg) to straighten out or to stretch out

**visible:** able to be seen

**lumbered:** to move in a slow and awkward way

**culvert:** a drain or pipe that allows water to flow under a road or railroad

**To Start:**

List an abstract noun (see list):

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Draw picture of place here:

