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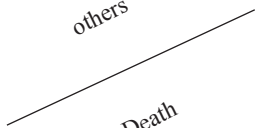
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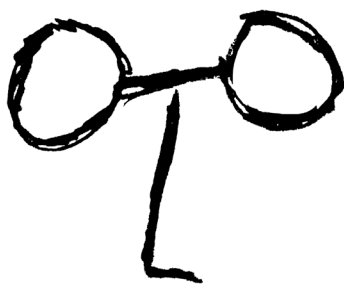
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One or two words wrestle and fall apart before they quite win the point. Yet something stares out at you from these smashed-up vowels and consonants, like a traffic accident, or a Chamberlain sculpture, an eye or an oh.

- Aram Saroyan

Broken, partial, fractured, distorted—is this poetry in the age of CAPTCHA? In thirty-seven words, Joshua Smith makes us feel the possibilities—and vulnerabilities—of poetic language in contemporary culture.

- Johanna Drucker

Sometimes it's like we're in a lab, looking at a language isolated on slides. Sometimes we're a universe away, looking at the language through a telescope, catching it in small events. *By* is a book of economy, humor and vision. I have already used more words, describing it, than it itself contains. And am no nearer to explaining away the stillness at the center of it.

- Josh Bell

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