

# Spring for Poetry in Takoma Park

# BE GLAD YOUR NOSE IS ON YOUR FACE

Be glad your nose is on your face  
not pasted on some other place,  
for if it were where it is not,  
you might dislike your nose a lot.

Imagine if your precious nose  
were sandwiched in between your toes,  
that clearly would not be a treat,  
for you'd be forced to smell your feet.

Your nose would be a source of dread  
were it attached atop your head,  
it soon would drive you to despair,  
forever tickled by your hair.

Within your ear, your nose would be  
an absolute catastrophe,  
for when you were obliged to sneeze,  
your brain would rattle from the breeze.

Your nose instead, through thick and thin,  
remains between your eyes and chin,  
not pasted on some other place —  
be glad your nose is on your face!

Jack Prelutsky



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