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WEDNESDAY

Wednesday Therapy: Words of Wisdom from Mary Ruefle's THE MOST OF IT (<http://flashfiction.net/2010/02/24/wednesday-therapy-words-of-wisdom-from-mary-ruefles-the-most-of-it/>)

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I'll talk a bit more about the quite accomplished poet Mary Ruefle's first collection of prose, *The Most of It*, in the coming days. For now, I'll let this piece speak for itself, as Wednesday's Flash Therapy. In the meantime, purchase this collection. Like. Now.

ON TWILIGHT

I read the poem of a student and in the poem God wandered through a room picking up random objects -- a pear, a vase, a shoe -- and in bewilderment said, "I made this?". Apparently God had forgotten making anything at all. I awarded this poem a prize, because I was a judge of such matters. I was not really awarding the student, I was awarding God; I knew someday the student would pick up his old poem and say in bewilderment, "I made this?", and at that moment his whole world would be lost in the twilight, and when you are finally lost in the twilight, you cannot judge anything.

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