

Perceptions

First impressions can be strong
About those we see around.
Yet how often are they wrong?
That is the truth I've found.

Not all who cry are weak.
Not everyone who looks can see.
Not all who are quiet are meek.
Not all who nod agree.

Not all who snarl are cruel.
Not everyone generous is just.
Not everyone clumsy is a fool.
Not all who wander are lost.

We never know people's character.
In just a single instance.
We never know who people are
By judging from a distance.

But whether we like it or not,
We'll always be around people.
Is it better to know a few people a lot
Or a lot of people a little?

I'd rather know a few people a lot
Than a lot of people a little.

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