BE A TREE

Be a tree.
From a tiny seedling, grow.
Hold on, dig in,
Raise your arms to the sky.
Catch whatever the heavens throw.

Be a tree.
Be a home, a bed, a bunk.
Give your nuts to the squirrels,
Throw sticks to dogs.
If they're nice, why not let them wee on your trunk?

Be a tree.
Suck up the bad, breathe out the good.
In Summer, let your fruits fall.
In Winter, make fire
From all that dead wood.

Be a tree.
Be a big one in the park.
Be a playground, a shelter,
Be a work of art.
Let friends carve their name in your bark.

Be a tree.
Reach out, make the sky your goal
Then stop.
And when you've grown all there is to be grown,
Pull up your roots and go.
Be a tree. Leave a hole.