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An Original Composition for a Language Not My Own:

A patient man of much humor
A humorous man of much patience
Sits beside me and listens
with a sigh, as the words skitter
beyond my sight and into his
Mumbled incohesions slip from
my lips . . . stopping long enough
to rear their legs
majestically, touching noses softly,
begging of beauty in my mind's eye,
sounding a litany of muted chorus,
rubbing together a symphony of hallelujah
When the patient man of much humor
The humorous man of much patience
Repeats them slowly to me and praises
my garbled return.

A gift for Sensei
先生 (= 贈物)

せんせい (= おくりもの)