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## Spatial Awareness

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## SPATIAL AWARENESS

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My mittens have no clear front or back—  
thumbs and other fingers, an obvious inside  
and outside (interior/exterior).  
But I can't tell the right  
from the left.

I thought of this on a Saturday  
sitting in a carpeted seat on the bus  
next to the man asleep on his thighs.  
I thought how simple and pain-filled  
it must be to live in the hip creases.  
Such an inclination to fall forward.