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Praise Poems

Poem Name: Golden Retrievals

Poem Author: Mark Doty

Question:

Though it's not labelled as an ode and is told from the perspective of a dog instead of a human, "Golden Retrievals" pays homage to a beloved pet. If you have had or currently have a pet that you love dearly, write about your experiences with it.

Response to Question:

I have two cats, Monkey and Pudge. Monkey is the one that always loves spending time with me as much as possible. Every night, he sleeps somewhere close to me. When I sleep in my room, he is either sleeping on my bed or on my desk chair. Many times during the day when I am on my computer doing something and look to my right, I hear a meow and look down to see Monkey there looking at me. Monkey can also sense when I am upset. If he feels I'm upset, he will come to where I am and constantly rub up against me to try and cheer me up.

