

Eye test

I slip back into darkness
through the glasses
there is a story there

a girl wanted to wear glasses
she wished to look like someone
she may have been afraid to see without them

in a test, both lucky and unlucky
she was asked to read aloud
big letters, then small ones
she did not like to read aloud
she stopped when it came to big letters
she said she could not see well, jolly and somewhat playful as she was

the teacher was alarmed and she quietly asked for the parents
they then took the girl to a specialist

she was asked to read aloud again
big letters, then small ones
the girl was happy
the play went on
she played in the way she had played before
as if she could not see well

the doctor prescribed the prettiest pair of glasses for her to wear
for six months she suffered a harmless illness that gave her great joy

at last, everyone around her
understood she could not see well
what she wanted to see was something different
through a transparent filter

at last she was able to see and read quietly

I slip back with the glasses
through darkness