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## If I Had Been Born a Cricket

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In a past life, I may have been a cricket.  
I may have called the grass my home.  
Passing humans would have heard my song  
Rising up from the thicket.  
Would they have stopped to buy a ticket?  
No, I always perform on my own.  
No audience to clap, no audience to cheer,  
Only myself and my wings  
Playing music for me, only me.  
And, if I had been a cricket,  
In a past life of mine  
I would have sung to the one attentive human  
Who listens to the night for a sign.