



Why This Path?

Whats is truly incomprehensible? If something were truly incomprehensible there wouldn't be a clue to its existence, there wouldn't be a location for it nor a path to find it.

So comes Mr. Nigel Wigglesworth first question about American literature to answer. We thought it worthy to extend to him, as we couldn't find or figure out an answer.

A reader wrote in and asked about Robert Frosts poem, the "Path less traveled". And asked "why did he choose the path less traveled?"

Well, Nigel's answer started, "there's an adventurous spirit lurking in each person".

Such a restless ghost, being neither here nor there, neither in the present nor the past, and only possibly fit for an unknown future or experience of some kind. The spirit being dragged down in boredom of everyday existence seeks some way to express or hold on to ideals, dreams, or victories (small moments of happiness), ... to find that life is somehow different than fleeting or mechanically arbitrary.

In such pursuits is the answer to many of life's questions, Mr Wigglesworth contends.



In the case of Mr Frost we find the disturbing elements of a man who must have had so much money that he turned his life away from the only gainful pursuit available to people, (making money), . .and in such.... abandoned a road which would have made him a trillionaire, simply to take the path less traveled. Nigel laughed as he went on, of course its the path less traveled he retorted, there's no money involved. Even a cow path has money involved, as the cattle are shuttled to market to become a burger in happy land!

So by abandoning mankind's single purpose in life, simply to become a poet, was his tragic misdemeanor. Such a path carries a sentence of hundreds of broken pencils, half torn sheets of scribbled notes, times where the right expression could be written but there's no paper, or the ink in the pen ran dry, as the neighbor bursts in to give you some kind of soup thinking you're lonely... and with such interference robbing the author of that ecstatic moment of victory of getting the right sentence in the right place. Perfect placement in a world where none can be found so to speak.

So in short, he took the path less traveled ...in his mindand simply wanted the world to understand why. Ergo it emerged in his poem which is in fact the Path less traveled. Nigel was wiping the sweat off his brow as he finished his analysis. I hope this helps our reader to get out there and make some money and stop reading poetry!!!