The Deconstructionist’s Début

this is a poem

it is an

Introduction

to a series of poems

all of which start

with

this is a poem

the poems are reflexive

recursive

self-analytical

and deconstructionist

they make me crazy

it is my intention and desire

that they will make you crazy too

i hope you enjoy

the series of poems

that start with

this is a poem

and that

when you have read them

you will be one with the poems

this is one of those poems

but relax

it won’t really make you crazy

craziness is a relative term

(having visited the place)

if the world makes less sense than you do

you aren’t crazy

that seems to have nothing to do with this poem

but everything to do with this series

poetry

in a world that makes less sense than you do

is possibly

the least crazy thing

i will ever do.