

I Made a Noise This Morning

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I made a noise this morning
That I didn't mean to make.
It truly was an accident,
An error, a mistake.
I don't know how it happened,
But it suddenly was there,
Filled with great reverberations
That resounded in the air.

It made a strong impression
On the people in the room.
A lot of them reacted
Like they'd heard a sonic boom.
They looked at one another
As if asking, "was it you?"
They were laughing, they were pointing--
I behaved the same way too.

I couldn't keep from joking
With the other girls and boys,
And never once admitted
It was I who made that noise.
Though I'm sorry that I made it,
From the bottom of my heart,
In a way, my brief eruption
Was a little work of art.

Does this remind you of something in your life?
Has something embarrassing ever happened to you in front of everyone?
What did you do?