



## Vocabulary

adj.) residential v.) reside / n.) residence	adj.) garage n.) sale	adj.) paperback n.) edition
n.) occurrence v.) occur	adj.) keen	n.) appreciation v.) appreciate

## Reading

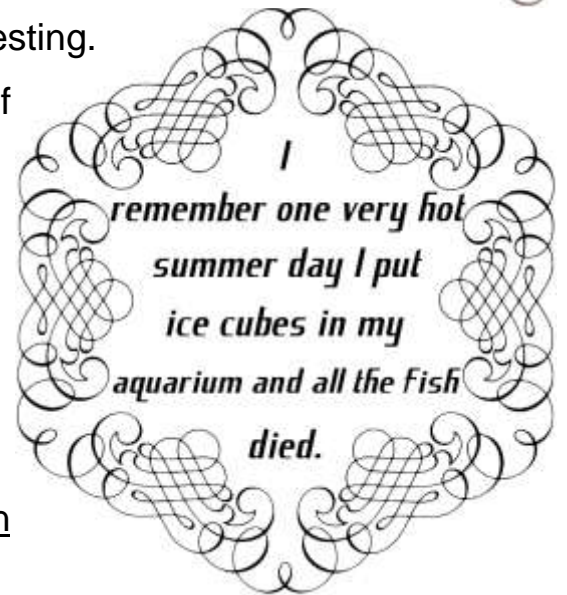
I remember walking down a residential street in Lansing, Michigan (U.S.A.) around 1980 or so. I saw a garage sale and walked over to see if there was anything interesting.

*I remember planning to tear page 48 out of every book I read from the Boston Public Library, but soon losing interest.*



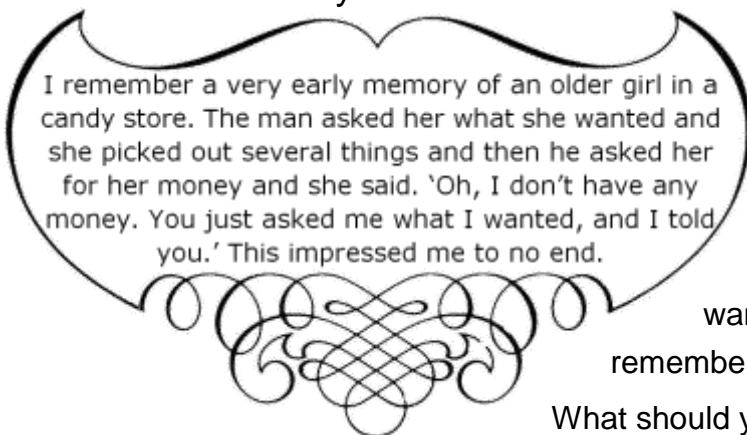
I came across an old paperback edition of ← Joe Brainard's *I Remember*.

I opened it up and started reading. It took me a few minutes to figure out what Mr. Brainard was doing. The book was about 100 pages long, and each page had 8 to 15 little memories of things or thoughts or occurrences from his life.



Joe had a good memory for details, and a keen appreciation of his own past.

Well, maybe this talent isn't really that special. Perhaps we should *all* occasionally take time out to remember details from our *own* lives.



## Activity

• It's simple, really: We're going to go around the room, and I want each of you to remember things from your life.



**Joe Brainard**  
(1941-1994)

What should you look for?:

- Try to remember **very early things**.
- Try to remember **unusual** or **special things**.
- Try to remember **emotional things**.
- Try to remember **things you thought you'd forgotten**, but **haven't**.

