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Where Writing Starts: A Discussion of the Writing Process



- *Melissa:* Isn't the hardest thing about writing the start?
- *Satoru:* Yeah. Most folks are too anxious about initial quality that they can't get their ideas across.
- *Liao:* I think good writing starts with silence and has ample breathing space . . .
- *Melissa:* Huh? Breathing space?
- *Liao:* Yeah, breathing space is what brings us back to silence. The purpose of writing is to bring us to silence.
- *Tim:* I dunno there are so many different writing genres. . . it seems naive to imagine they all have the same purpose.