

“Raindrops. It’s an interesting thing, how they go tap, tap, tap on every window pane. An interesting thing I find the sound so enjoyable.

If it were  
tap, tap on  
I might  
flight of  
an insect;  
the patio  
escape to  
outside, I  
it with  
est flat object.  
broken transmis-  
tap, tap as my  
to start, I might  
followed by the  
of angry fists.



a little brother; tap,  
my bedroom door,  
push him down a  
stairs. If it were  
tap, tap, tap against  
door, attempting to

the sunshine  
might swat  
the near-

If it were a  
sion; tap,  
car refused  
swear at it,  
pounding

But if it is

the rain; tap, tap, tap on the window pane, I sit  
back in silence, letting the sound seep in with  
as much serenity as I can muster.”

-Katherine Haveman