

國立中央大學101學年度碩士班考試入學試題卷

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Please write essays answering BOTH of the following questions.

Question One (50%)

Assuming that this poem is NOT about pigs, explain the title. Provide a detailed close reading of the poem to support your interpretation.

**Another Feeling**

By Ruth Stone

Once you saw a drove of young pigs  
crossing the highway. One of them  
pulling his body by the front feet,  
the hind legs dragging flat.

Without thinking,  
you called the Humane Society.

They came with a net and went for him.

They were matter of fact, uniformed;  
there were two of them,  
their truck ominous, with a cage.

He was hiding in the weeds. It was then  
you saw his eyes. He understood.

He was trembling.

After they took him, you began to suffer regret.

Years later, you remember his misfit body  
scrambling to reach the others.

Even at this moment, your heart  
is going too fast; your hands sweat.

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## Question Two (50%)

Following is the first paragraph of a commencement address delivered in 2005 at an elite liberal arts college in the United States. (A commencement address is a speech delivered to a class of senior students when they graduate.) The speaker argues that the education students received at the school has been worthwhile. Why is this a good (or bad) beginning to such an address?

Here are some details about the person giving the speech that may (or may not) be useful in composing your essay: 1. he was a man; 2. he was an award winning novelist; 3. he was white; 4. he was 44; 5. two years after giving this address he committed suicide; 6. his father was a philosophy professor; 7. his mother taught composition; 8. in college he was a top ranked tennis player; 9. his best known novel was entitled *Infinite Jest*; 10. it was over 1000 pages long.

There are two young fish swimming along and they happen to meet an older fish swimming the other way, who nods at them and says "Morning, boys. How's the water?" And the two young fish swim on for a bit, and then eventually one of them looks over at the other and goes "What the hell is water?"

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