

Learning to Read

I remember the look
of the unreadable page

the difficult jumble

& then the page
became transparent

& then the page
ceased to exist:

at last I was riding this bicycle all by myself!

Cilla McQueen

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Read the poem to help answer the questions.

a) What similarities are there in learning to read and learning to ride a bike?

b) How has the poet shown that time has passed?

c) Why did the page "cease to exist"?

d) What is the main message of this poem?
