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Marriage

Marriage is a funny thing...

It's trout amandine,
It's franks and beans,

It's a skating rink,
A clogged up sink,

An eagle's flight,
A mosquito bite,

A tender look,
A boring book,

A carnival ride,
A taxpayer's guide,

It's joyful seclusion,
Or children's confusion,

A surprise in a box,
It's chicken pox!

Sprouting seeds,
And persistent weeds,

Raucous fun,
A cloistered nun,

A lightning bug's fire,
A retired desire,

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A kiss for a blunder,
The face of the tundra,

A smile and a tickle,
A sour dill pickle,

It's sunshine and beaches,
Or erudite speeches,

It's an angel's heart,
Or a demon's dart,

Marriage is a crazy mix,
So try to endure its many tics.