

One Thing

- A One thing I don't understand is about charisma, and how it gets doled out.
- B How could anyone know?
- A Because for instance athletic ability gets endowed in some people. Or musical ability. Or brilliance, for some minds. Why charisma, when it so easily falls to the wrong person?
- B Leadership needs it.
- A But why not reserve it for those who will turn out to be good leaders?
- B The gift would appear to be arbitrary. Or maybe it falls into the wrong hands as a reminder to all that power gets misused.
- A Who needs a reminder? The bad ones rot inside like pumpkins left out too long in the Fall.
- B Exteriors can be deceiving.
- A You think my question is impossible to answer?
- B No; I just don't think I've been given the brilliance it would take to come up with an answer.
- A I should ask someone else?
- B Who else would you pick?
- A My vacuum cleaner.
- B Your what?
- A My vacuum cleaner – it seems to pick up on everything.

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