

POEMS

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PRAISE FOR PYTHAGORAS Via A.N. Whitehead

A theorem to unite
—when there is a form—
Any time,
Any site.
Any A and B and C.

Union form brings.
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Great Greek incubator thinker
Glue
Relating things,
Math, physics, philosophy.
Any A and B and C.

Another.
Modern, northern
Newton's abide,
Pilgrims' pride
Two centuries astride.

Said he,
By Pythagoras
The key
To know;
Relations shown to be.

Fasy.
Never said.
Needed.
Never dead.
Any A and B and C.

GUAJANA

When the month that ends the year comes in
Borinquen rains resign.
Guajana comes.

White in still air.
Above the green.
Bright tassel.
Sugary crown.
Snowy hair.

Not many fields of cane today to see;
Homes, malls, rain run wild.
Providence from
Foreign uncle to
Conquered child to be.