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Some poems run out nicely
And follow a simple pattern
But others, they seem to stick out slightly
With a little extra bit to them

What sort of poem are you?
Are you easy to predict?
Or do you like to...
Suddenly-do
Things that don't restric

Your sideless imagination
The random little sparkler
That makes you a little different:
A nomological dangler.

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A nomological dangler is something that can't be easily accounted for by the normal rules or laws. **Nomos** is Greek for law, **logos** is Greek for account and **dangler...** dangles.

Questions for Nomological Dangler:

- ✓ Can you explain to someone who hasn't heard or read the poem what nomological dangler means?
- ✓ What kind of poem are you?
- ✓ Does the previous question make any sense?
- ✓ Is it good to be surprising?
- ✓ Is it better to be surprising or predictable?
- ✓ Should we try to be different from other people?
- ✓ Can you have something that is not subject to causal laws?
- ✓ Can something happen without a cause?
- ✓ What is a cause?

Hint: when approaching new words with classes

When a class or student doesn't know a word always ask them first what they think it means from the context before telling them or consulting the dictionary. Then compare their thoughts with the dictionary definition.