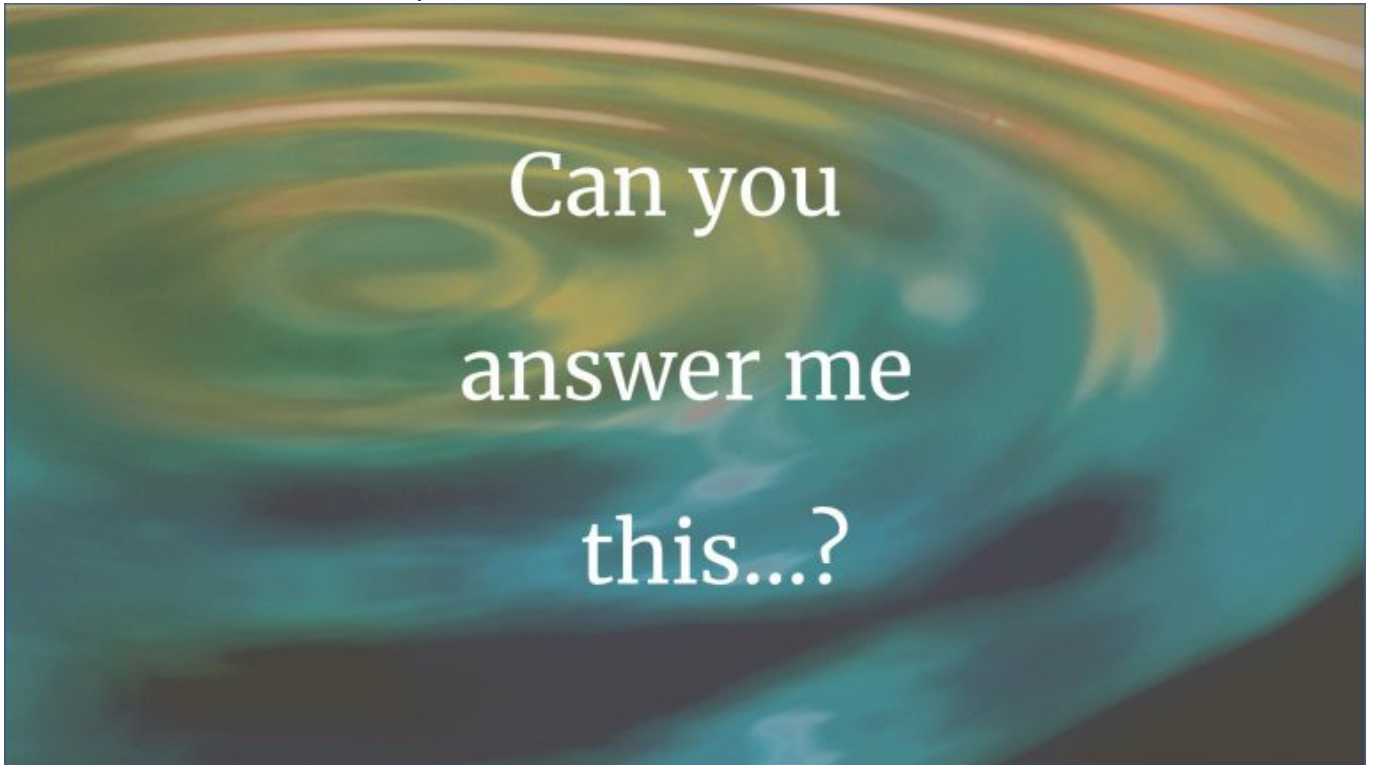


Questions for the Neurologist

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For Richard

If a seizure stops neurons
from communicating,

where should they go afterwards
to get reacquainted?

When my life takes a different
direction, how will I find true north?

How long can I dance in the rain
without slipping?

If a rooster crows in the city,
is it warning or delight?

When a man loses his words in the forest,
what songs will the mushrooms sing?

Is warm milk a reasonable solution
when brain cells are overexcited?

Once I go to sleep, which dreams
can really be trusted?

If the cat does not recognize me,

how will I know I still exist?

In seventy years of living, have I not
earned a quiet mind?

If I start speaking in tongues
will anyone believe me?