

## My Favorite Photograph

It's of you, the one in which you are sitting in the doorway of the Cape Hatteras lighthouse. The doorway is the color of a red red rose and the lighthouse is whitewashed, is white in the bright sunlight, and you are wearing light blue short shorts and a light pink top. You are not looking directly into the camera. You are looking up a little and to your left a little and squinting a little because the sun is in your eyes a little, but also as though you were trying to look

around the camera at the photographer who is a stranger to you, so the impression is that of someone not quite you waiting for someone not quite me. I like this picture so much because you look like a fashion model not being self-conscious for once, and also because it looks like you're sitting in the mouth of a clown who is saying Oooo, and also because you look like someone I don't know looking at someone you don't know.

—J. R. Solonche