

Bed-making

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Why make them each morning
only to tuck in under covers
only hours later?
Is it the newness we crave each night
or is it the covering up of past sins?

Vive la fragrance of crisp sheets —
their coolness and wrinkle-free warmth,
softener's balm lingering
amidst evening love-making sounds.

Who began this
household bed-making chore
of tucking in and fluffing pillows,
this automatic task
busying households
and hospitals each morning.

Guinness proudly reports
the record time for two people
to perform this act: fourteen seconds.

Now that's a reason to be proud!

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