Take One Thing

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Today, if you had to take one thing and leave the rest,

would it be your computer, briefcase, favorite book,

painting, lamp, garbage basket, mirror, table,

statue, lacquered box, flower, plant, desk, chair,

cup, dish, utensil, curtain, cell phone, phone book,

hat, shoes, shirt, dress, pants, pajamas,

necklace, watch, ring, bracelet, scarf, toy, journal, instrument,

pen, pad, tennis racket, lingerie, medication,

toiletry, make-up or electrical device?

I already decided.

I'd take my state of mind which could resist

and its sanctuary holding peaceful barriers offering a welcomed renewal.