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general belief that they were fair.

Even though the course was designed with the needs of prospective secondary teachers in mind, the course is also appropriate for a mathematics student. It is, at its core, a mathematics course. Except for a brief discussion of cooperative learning and group work (20 minutes), no class time is spent discussing pedagogy. Since the course gives the student the experience of mathematical discovery and actively learning mathematics, we believe it benefits the typical junior level mathematics major and is a viable replacement for a traditional "Foundations of Geometry" course.

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Tryst of Twins: Antarctica, Amazon

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How crystal white the ice cap Neptune head
Views the ocean; streaming ice waters beneath
Are lubricant carrying his body
Gliding steadily to the sea.

His equatorial giant twin, the Amazon,
Suckling the breast of dark rain clouds
Transfuses oxygen, a bloody, muddy flow,
The umbilical for starving embryos, millions.

A biopsy of the ice cap reveals
Microbes fungal, bacterial species,
As do probes in Amazon's forest hair:
Nesting plant, bird, lichen fair.
Who might guess 'neath the Atlantic deep
Antarctic waters meet unseen in tryst?

In kisses hugging, bedside currents, embraces
The Amazon body in earth's one living womb?
While the surface conflicts, retards proliferation
Of stagnating antigen-antibiotic abscesses
Deep under spherical transfusing blood says
Planet love, is, such flowing expecting no return.

Haiku: The Heart

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Big Bang disperses
Heart rub-a-dub calibrates
How in tune palpitates