Advice

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addressed it. "The hired man's comin'—first of the week." He looked around at the weathered buildings of the farm. God, there's a lot to be done."

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by Christos Saccopoulus

Before you abandon yourself to sleep at night
Step out on your front porch
Unshaved
    Uncombed
Barefooted.
Wear only your red, striped pajamas
And a pair of bedroom slippers.

Do not let the distant campanile
That just struck once scare you.
This is not time for sleep
—Not yet.

Stop the phonographs
And listen to the crickets
—Only to the crickets.

Turn the electric lights off
And nail your eyes on the stars.

Throw away your cigarette
And draw the night into your lungs.

And now—
    Yes now
You can go to bed.