

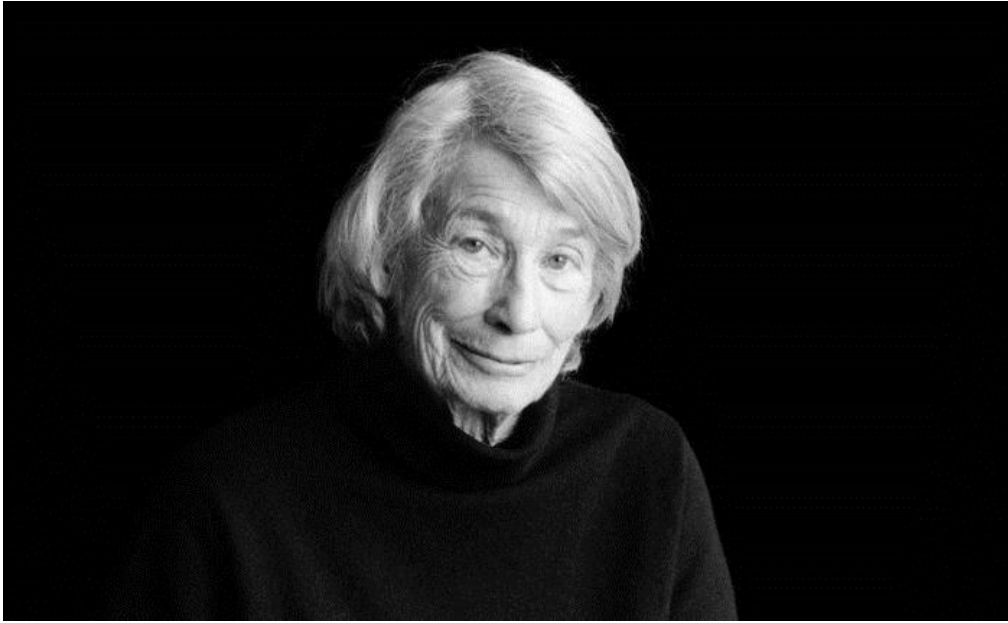
## I HAVE DECIDED

I have decided to find myself a home  
in the mountains, somewhere high  
up where one learns to live  
peacefully in the cold and the silence.  
It's said that in such a place certain  
revelations may be discovered. That  
what the spirit reaches for may be  
eventually felt, if not exactly  
understood. Slowly, no doubt. I'm  
not talking about a vacation.

Of course at the same time I mean to  
stay exactly where I am.

Are you following me?

*Mary Oliver*



*Born in a small town in Ohio, Mary Oliver published her first book of poetry in 1963 at the age of twenty-eight. Over the course of her long career she received many awards, including the Pulitzer Prize in 1984, and became America's best-selling poet. She died last year at the age of 83.*