

# Umbrella: Who Shall Be In Your Life? Who Shall You Be In Another's?

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## *Umbrella*

There will be many people in your life  
Some will wait with you for the rain  
Discussing where to find the best shelter  
Or who has the slickest deal on raincoats  
While others will simply hand you an umbrella  
[As they stroll past.](#)

There will be some  
Who will vanish like the fog  
When the sun comes out  
As if afraid the heat  
May burn them.

Some will sit with you as you forecast the weather  
And remain in place when the storms dissipate  
Laughing with you  
As you find rainbows amid the lingering clouds.

Some will hold your hand when the wind picks up  
When the world starts to grumble complaints  
And streaks flash across the sky  
As if Zeus is lighting up the dark  
His thunderbolt gleaming in the flickers.

They will tell you of your strength  
Remind you of your courage  
Argue you into agreement  
With the idea of your magnificence.

They will cover you with their strength  
And love  
As the battle of nature  
Rages on.  
At times they'll even be the ones  
Holding the umbrella  
As they hustle you to shelter.

Still others  
Refuse to watch the storm  
Or entertain the idea that life holds complications  
But love to plop down with you  
And chatter of past storms  
While pretending there's nothing building on the horizon.

[Who shall be in your life?](#)

Who shall you be in another's?  
Choose.  
And then go hold a damn umbrella.

***For more self-study, [The Urban Howl](#) recommends [Rhythms and Roads](#).***



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