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1 HOP3 7H47 YOU C4N R34D 7H15

Read this poem and follow the instructions on the next pages

1 HoP3 7H47 YoU C4N R34D 7H15.
1'M PR377Y 5UR3 YoU C4N.
17'5 7R1CKY, 4ND 1'M WoND3R1NG
1F YoU W1LL UND3R574ND.

1 KNOW 7H47 17'5 4 PUZZL3.
1 KNOW 17'5 K1ND OF 7OUGH.
1 HoP3 7H47 YoU DoN'7 R1P 17 UP
4ND 5CR34M, "1'V3 H4D 3NoUGH!"

1'M 7YP1NG 7H15 7H3 ONLY W4Y
7H47 1 KNOW HoW 7OD4Y.
1 HoP3 7H47 YoU C4N F1GUR3 oU7
7H3 WoRD5 1'M 7RY1NG 7o 54Y.

1F YoU C4N R34D 7H15 M3554GE,
17 M34N5 YoU'R3 R34LLY 5M4R7.
17 4L50 M34N5 7H47 MY
CoMPU73R'5 K3YBo4RD F3LL 4P4RT.



— Kenn Nesbitta

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On a Separate Sheet of Paper Decode the Poem

Write the decoded version of the poem using the letters instead of numbers and symbols.

Number/Letter Substitution Guide:

- 1 = I
- 3 = E
- 4 = A
- 5 = S
- 7 = T
- 0 = O

Example:

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becomes

I HOPE THAT YOU CAN READ THIS.

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What is the poem about?

Why is the poem written in a tricky way?

What does the speaker hope you will do with the poem?

What does it mean if you can read the poem?

What kinds of things would you like to write in code?