

A Limerick
for Jane Austen's Birthday

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For the 217th birthday of Jane,
Let us make it perfectly plain,
T'would be most sagacious
And not AUSTENTatious
To praise her achievements again.

You who see through the fake and the twit,
At your feet (by your fire), we will sit.
As Janeites we'll boast,
It's our privilege to toast
Our mistress of wisdom and wit!