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Bruce Springsteen sings that he learned more from a three-minute record than he ever learned at school. I can safely say I've learned more about listening from you than I ever learned in grad school. You proved that "to be edited" was not punitive. but a learning experience. Your books on listening are monuments to scholarship. Well, perhaps "monuments" is the wrong word because it implies that your thoughts are settled, even frozen, and that's far from the truth. In fact, another thing that admire about you is that you aren't one of those TESOL people who stand up and say the same thing each year; you're always curious. So, to quote another old song, "long may you run." Congratulations, and thanks!

Steve Brown