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True posts

I love to draw designs for street lamps
I never post them in online competitions
I'm weird, you'd say, wouldn't you?

I am a whiz at mathematical problems
I can comment on your errors too
So blunt, you'd mind, wouldn't you?

You post picture-perfect photos with friends
but will need reminders to wish them "happy birthday"
Slips your mind, you'd forget; wouldn't you?

I am autistic
I'm learning my way with media.
We all want true friends, likes, and comments; don't we?

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