

the luster of unsupported things (apartments we live in)

mark so

[an apartment

*keep turning on lights, wasting electricity,
carousing with aardvarks, smashing the stemware.*

– John Ashbery, “When I Saw the Invidious Flare”

*all available working electrical outlets/ switches off
each equipped with some electrically-powered device*

*switch everything on, one at a time in any order
switch everything off, one at a time in any order*

*if a circuit/fuse breaks, reset/replace it and begin again, turning everything on, less one
and so on, less by one with each attempt, until procedure successfully completed*

[perhaps over the course of an extended period, in the midst of normal activity

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