Rain Boots in the Desert

It slows me down
as I trudge along through the sand
reminding me that I should have been pragmatic
but instead
I chose you.

I chose

to carry the burden

to walk with the weight

because you shimmer and reflect

rain or shine.

Everyone notices you

and makes pitiful compliments about us,

but I should not be surprised;

being with you is like

wearing rain boots in the desert.