Fill in the missing letters using the word shapes to help you.

L_ _ _ _ _ _ a language
is l_ _ doing a jigsaw p_ _ _
o_ a million pieces
w_ _ a picture that k_ _ _ changing.
l_ _ _ like g_ _ _ _ _ lost in a foreign c_ _
w_ _ _ _ _ a map.
It's like p_ _ _ _ _ _ tennis without a ball,
like b_ _ _ an ant i_ _ a field of grasshoppers.
l_ _ _ like b_ _ _ an acrobat with a b_ _ _ _ _ leg,
an a_ _ _ _ without a script,
a carpenter w_ _ _ _ _ _ a s_ _
a storyteller w_ _ _ _ _ _ a middle o_ _ an end.

B_ _ then gradually
i_ _ _ like being o_ _ in the early m_ _ _ _ _
with the mists l_ _ _ _ _.
It's l_ _ _ a chink of l_ _ _ _ under a d_ _ _ _,
like f_ _ _ _ _ the g_ _ _ _ you were looking for,
c_ _ _ _ _ _ the t_ _ _ _ you thought y_ _ _ were going t_ _ miss,
getting a_ _ unlooked-for present,
exchanging a s_ _ _ _ _.

And then o_ _ day it's l_ _ _ riding a bicycle
very f_ _ _ downhill.