

Poetry Anthology

THE JURASSIC JAGUARS



and THE FIRE FOXES



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A collection of silly, snappy, stupendous, super, stunning, stylish,
and supercalifragilisticexpialidociously stellar original poetry
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***Dedicated with lots of love to all of our families and students.
We thank you for supporting our community
during this unforgettable school year!***

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What's in a Name?

At the beginning of the school year, the second graders researched information about their names and used the collected data to write name stories. This section contains student's name stories and three poems about their names. Below are descriptions of each poem: *I Found it in My Name*, acrostic verse, and cinquain.

I Found it in My Name

Using their first and last names, children examined the letters, moved them around and made words with only the letters contained in their names. They discovered what they could and could not make using those specific letters.

Acrostic Verse

During our study of ourselves, our ancestors and our names, we wrote acrostic verse. A word is selected, in this case the children's names, and a poem is written that has the same number of lines as the word. Each line begins with one of the letters in the word, in sequence.

Cinquains

CINQUAINS ARE SHORT POEMS WITH FIVE LINES. ALTHOUGH THEY CAN BE WRITTEN ON ANY TOPIC, I REQUESTED THAT THE STUDENTS WRITE THEIR CINQUAINS ABOUT THEMSELVES. THE PATTERN OF A CINQUAIN IS AS FOLLOWS:

LINE 1 - TOPIC

LINE 2 - TWO ADJECTIVES

LINE 3 - THREE VERBS

LINE 4 - A SIMILE

LINE 5 - ONE WORD REFERRING TO THE TITLE

I Found It In My Name

By Ivan Tkachenko



In my name I found *van*
but not *truck*.

I see *kite*
but not *string*.

I have *kick* and *net*
but not *chop* or *fish*.

In my name I found *knock*
but not *door*.

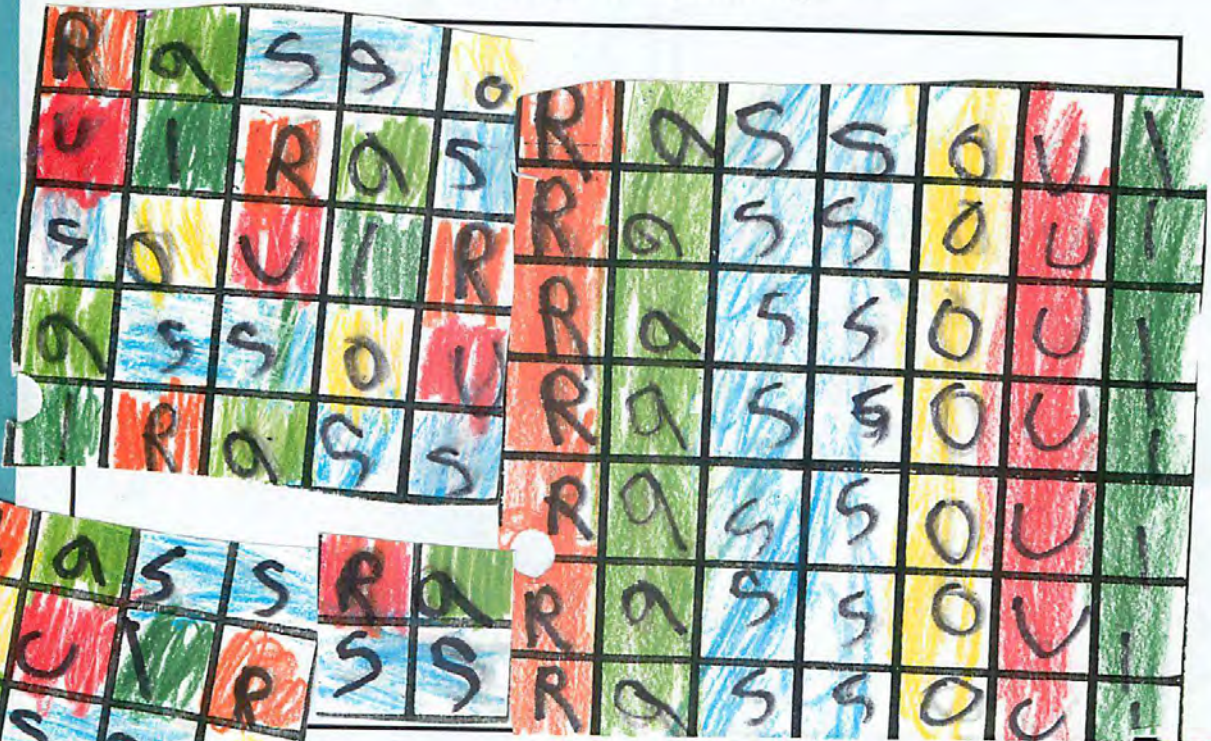
I see *hi*
but not *wave*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?



I Found It In My Name

By Rassoul Tandieng



In my name I found *so*
but not *thing*.

I see a *T*
but not *H*.

I have *so* and *tan*
but not *him* or *hi*.

In my name I found *ran*
but not *fan*.

I see *an*
but not *off*.

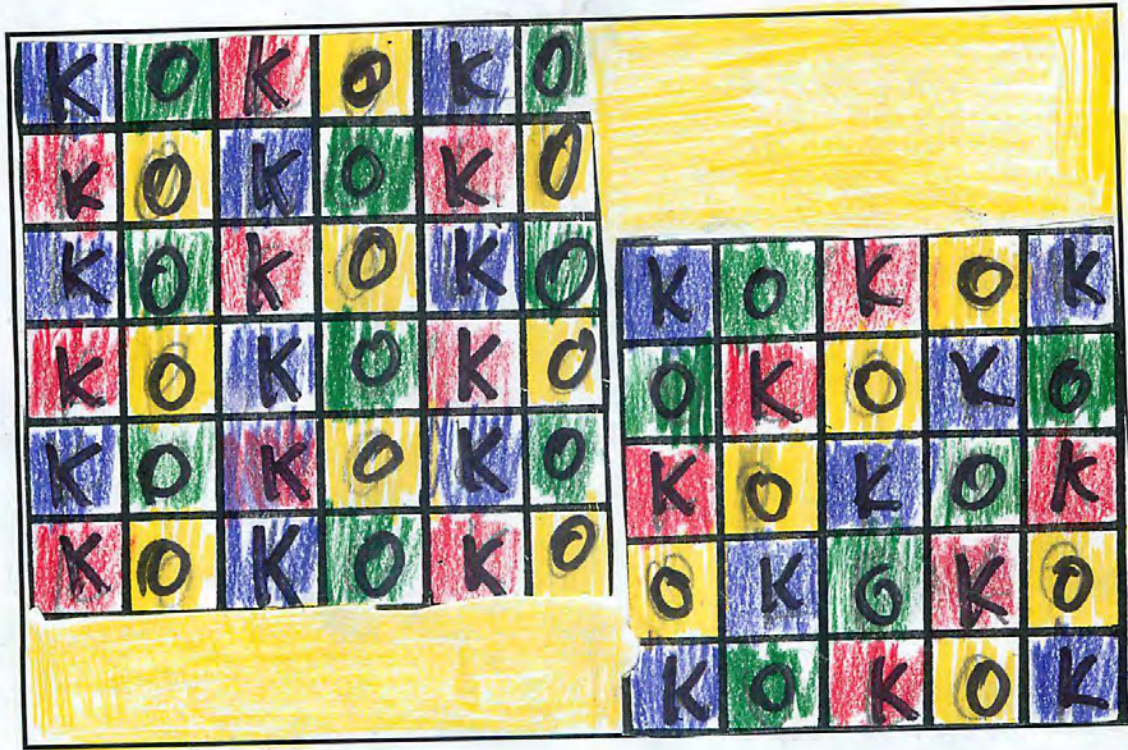
I found all of this in my name.

What can you find in yours?



I Found It In My Name

By Koko Banks



In my name I found *book*
but not *glasses*

I see a *nook*
but not a *pillow*.

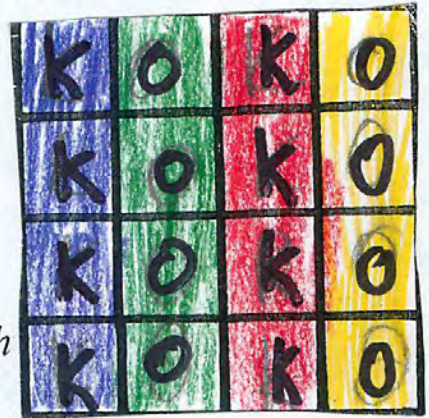
I have a *bank* and *soak*
but not *money* or *cash*

In my name I found *sank*
but not *ship*.

I see *soon*
but not *later*

I found all of this in my name.

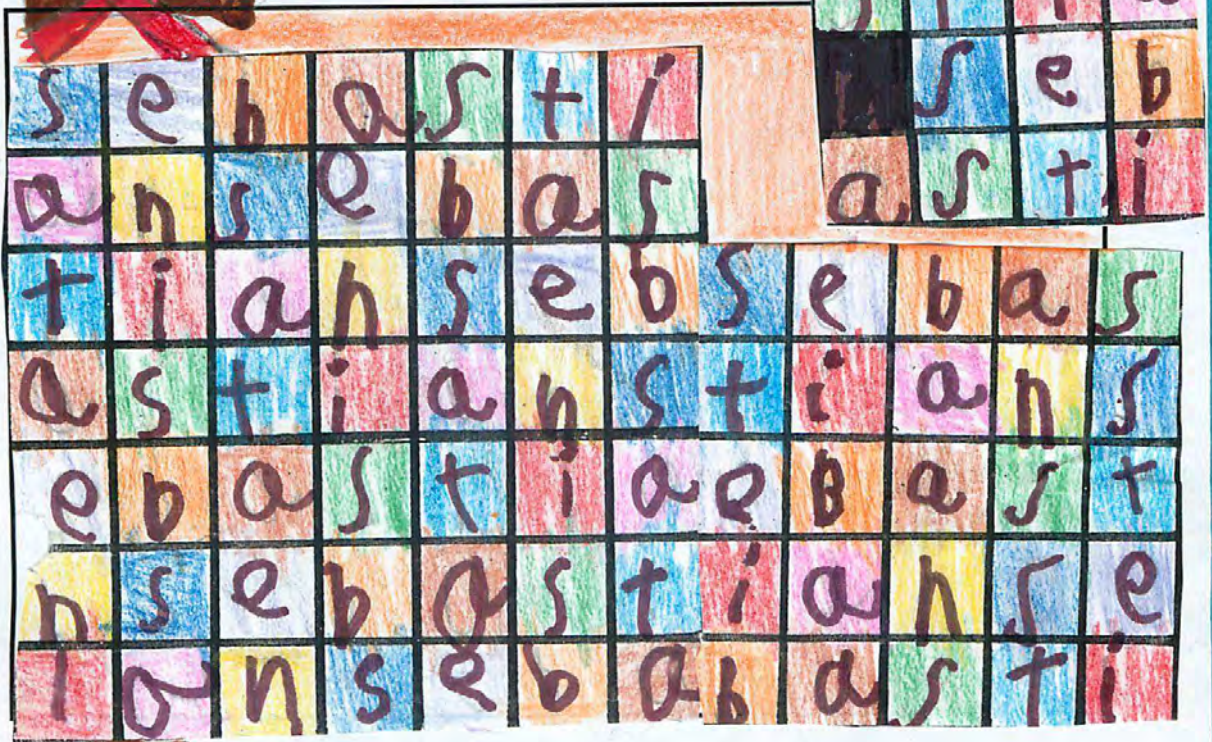
What can you find in yours?





I Found It In My Name

By Sebastian Kravitz



In my name I found *bat*
but not *cat*.

I see *snake*
but not *cobra*.

I have *sat* and *rat*
but not *sad* or *pat*.

In my name I found *bear*
but not *dog*.

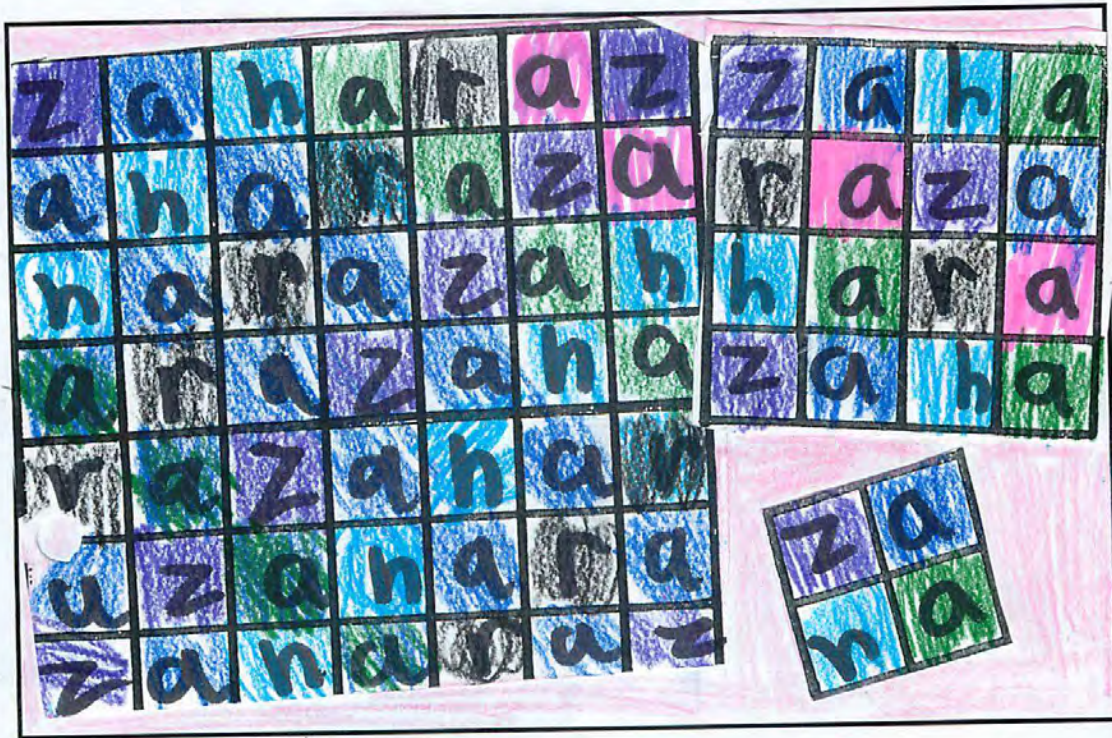
I see *stake*
but not *hog*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?



I Found It In My Name

By Zahara Sloan Yohay



In my name I found *seal*
but not *kangaroo*.

I see a *zoo*
but not *any animals*.

I have *one* and *ray*
but not *clay* or *neigh*.

In my name I found *alone*
but not *love*.

I see *hay!*
but not *cray*.

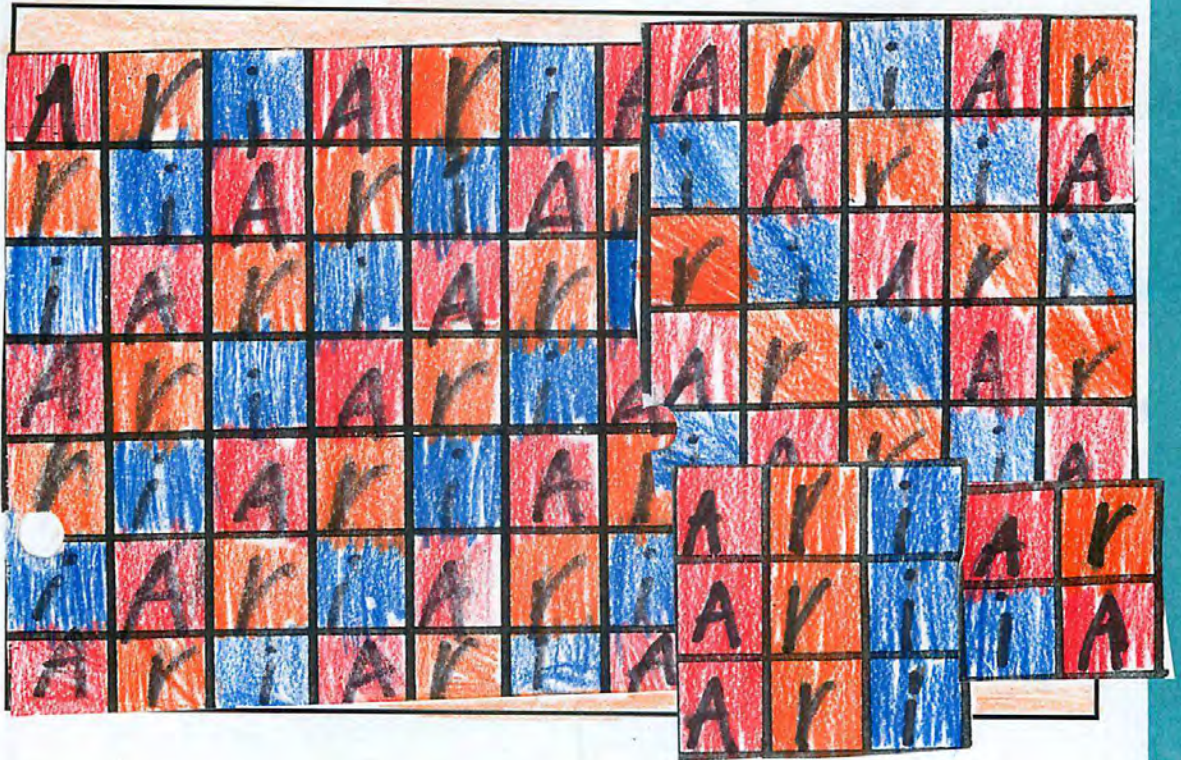
I found all of this in my name.

What can you find in yours?



I Found It In My Name

By Ari Sanghvi



In my name I found *sang*
but not *song*.

I see a *van*
but not *pan*.

I have *air* and *gas*
but not *rack* or *sack*.

In my name I found *rain*
but not *cane*.

I see *ran*
but not *walk*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?

I Found It In My Name

by River Kahn



In my name I found *rank* and *ink*
but not *bank* and *think*.

I see *he* and *her*
but not *the* and *there*.

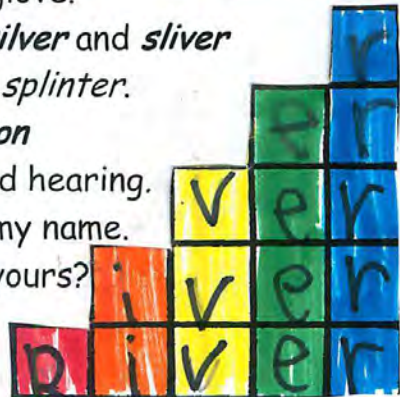
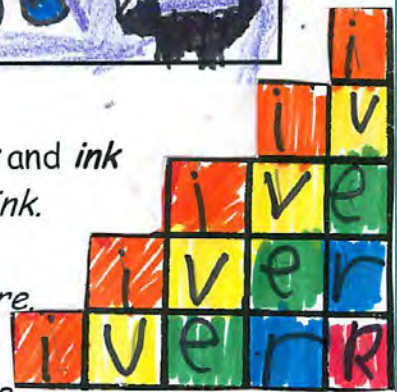
I have *hark* and *love*
but not *bark* or *glove*.

In my name I found *silver* and *sliver*
but not *gold* and *splinter*.

I see *version* and *vision*
but not *model* and *hearing*.

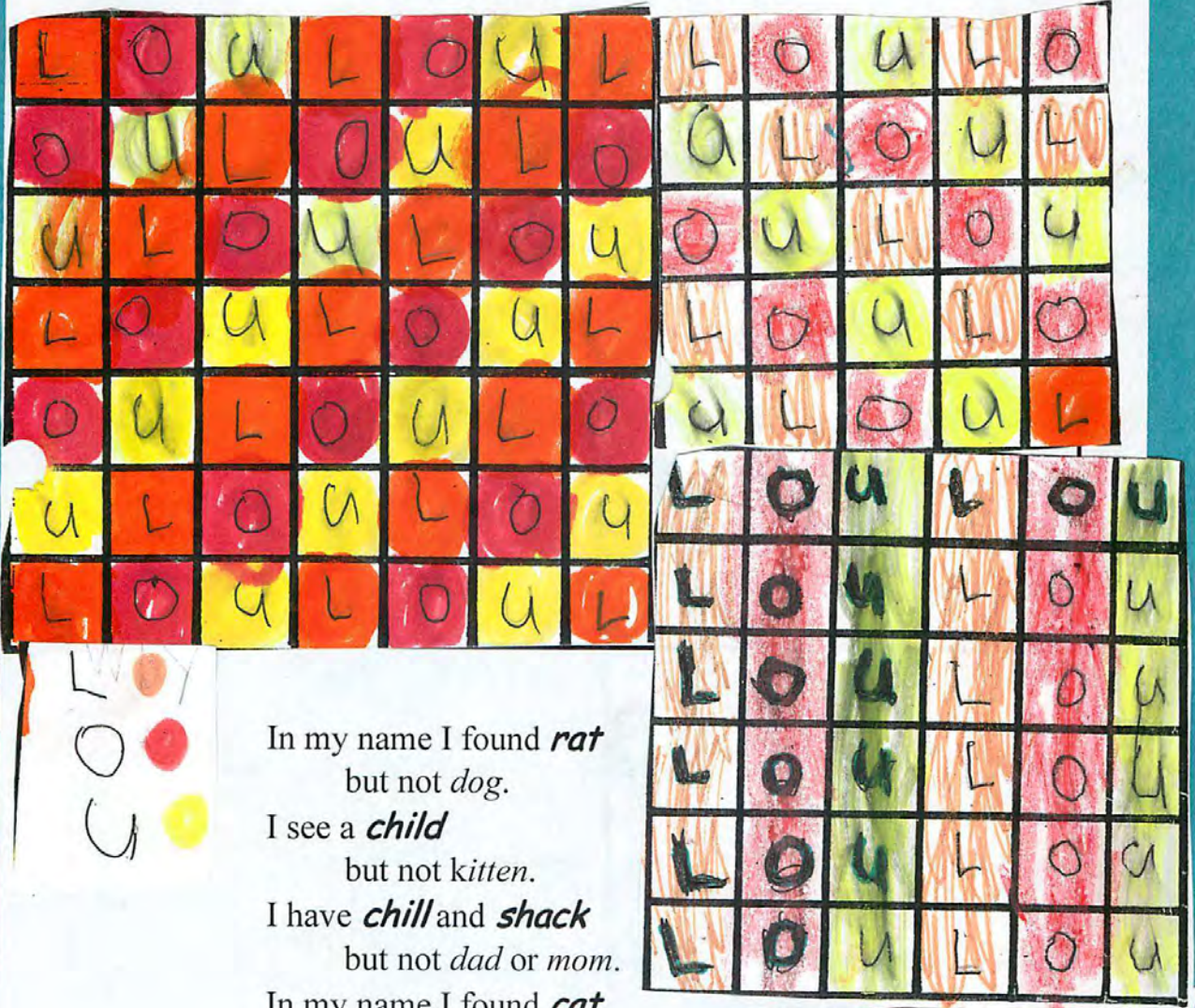
I found all of this in my name.

What can you find in yours?



I Found It In My Name

By Lou Rothschild-Shakur



In my name I found **rat**
but not *dog*.

I see a **child**
but not *kitten*.

I have **chill** and **shack**
but not *dad* or *mom*.

In my name I found **cat**
but not *pat*.

I see **to**
but not *hoot*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?



I Found It In My Name

By Parker Carlson



In my name I found **car**
but not *far*.

I see **cake**
but not *make*.

I have **cars** and **parks**
but not *Mars* or *takes*.

In my name I found **rascal**
but not *little*.

I see **lake**
but not *pond*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?

I	a
A	y

A	y	I	a
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I Found It In My Name

by Ayla Anne Howell

A	y	I	a
A	y	I	a
A	y	I	a
A	y	I	a
A	y	A	y
I	a		A
A	y		
I	a		a
A	y		I
I	a		y
			A



A
y
I
a
A

A	y	I	a
A	y	I	a
A	y	I	a
A	y	I	a

I	a	A	y
A	y	I	a
I	a	A	y
A	y		
I	a		

A	y	I
a	A	y
I	a	A

In my name I found *Yellow*
but not *green*.

I see *no*
but not *yes*.

I have *well* and *hole*
but not *sick* or *hill*.

In my name I found *hen*
but not *chick*

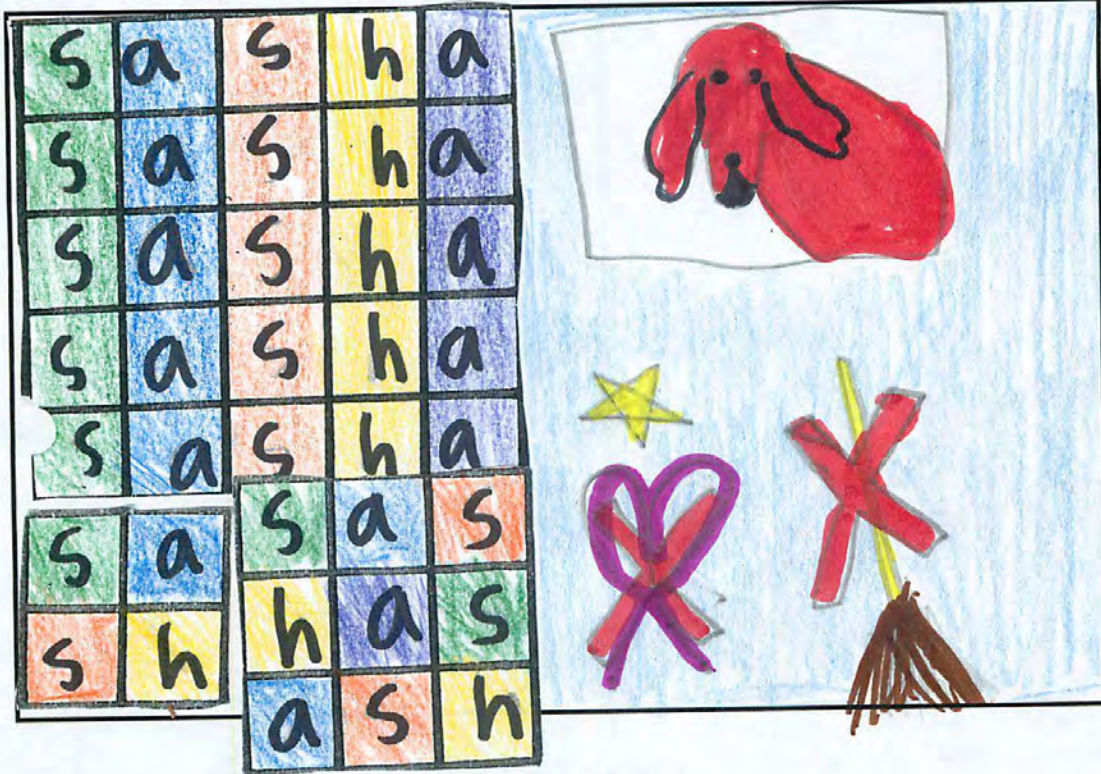
I see *why*
but not *then*

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?

y	I	a	A
I	a	A	y
a	A	y	I
A	y	I	a
y	I	a	A

I Found It In My Name

By Sasha Forst



In my name I found *frost*
but not lost.

I see *art*
but not *short*.

I have *star* and *soar*
but not *plant* or *bored*.

In my name I found *soft*
but not *mop*.

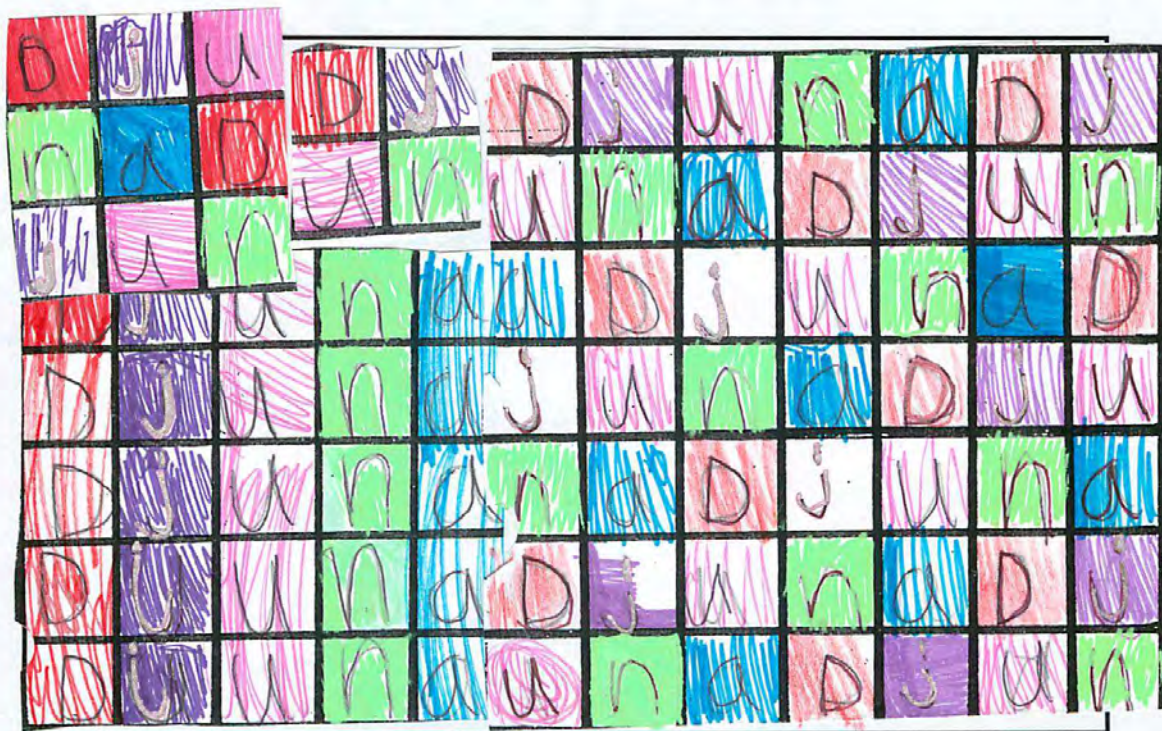
I see *arf*
but not *bow*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?



I Found It In My Name

By Djuna deBree



In my name I found **bee**

but not *hive*.

I see **den**

but not *fox*

I have **jade** in it and **deer**

but not *crystal* or *tree* in it

In my name I found **bend**

but not *Avatar*.

I see **band**

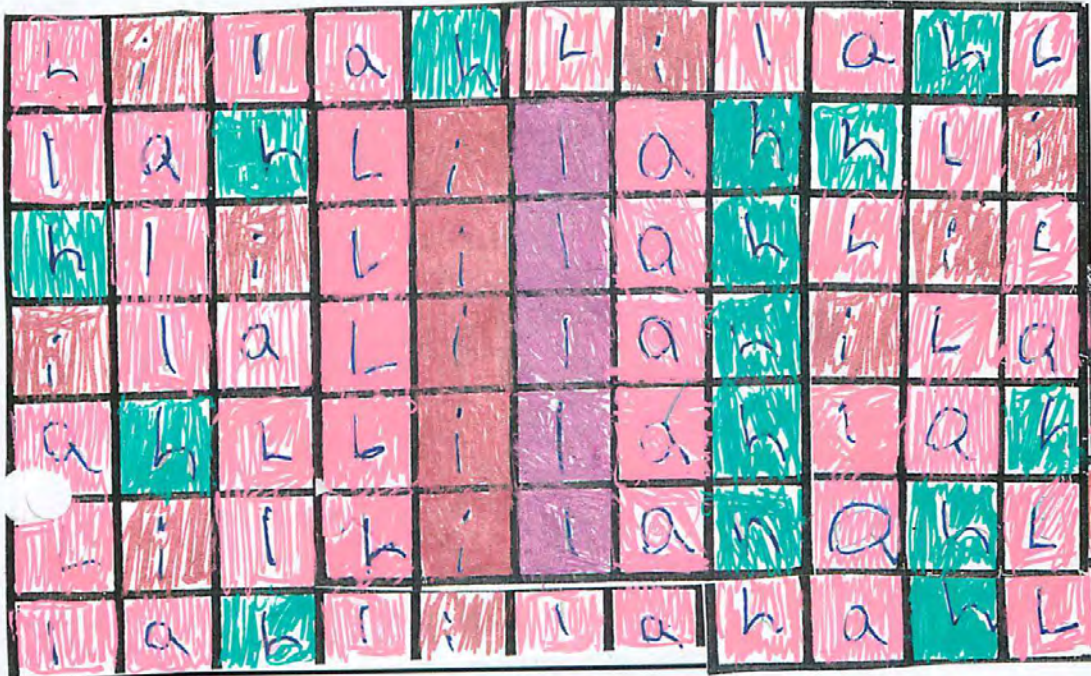
but not *drum*.

I found all of this in my name.

What can you find in yours?

I Found It In My Name

By Lilah Sophia Gray



In my name I found **ray**
but not *yay*.

I see **gray**
but not *white*.

I have **soap** and **lay**
but not *hope* or *may*.

In my name I found **hill**
but not a *mill*.

I see **rip**
but not *trip*.

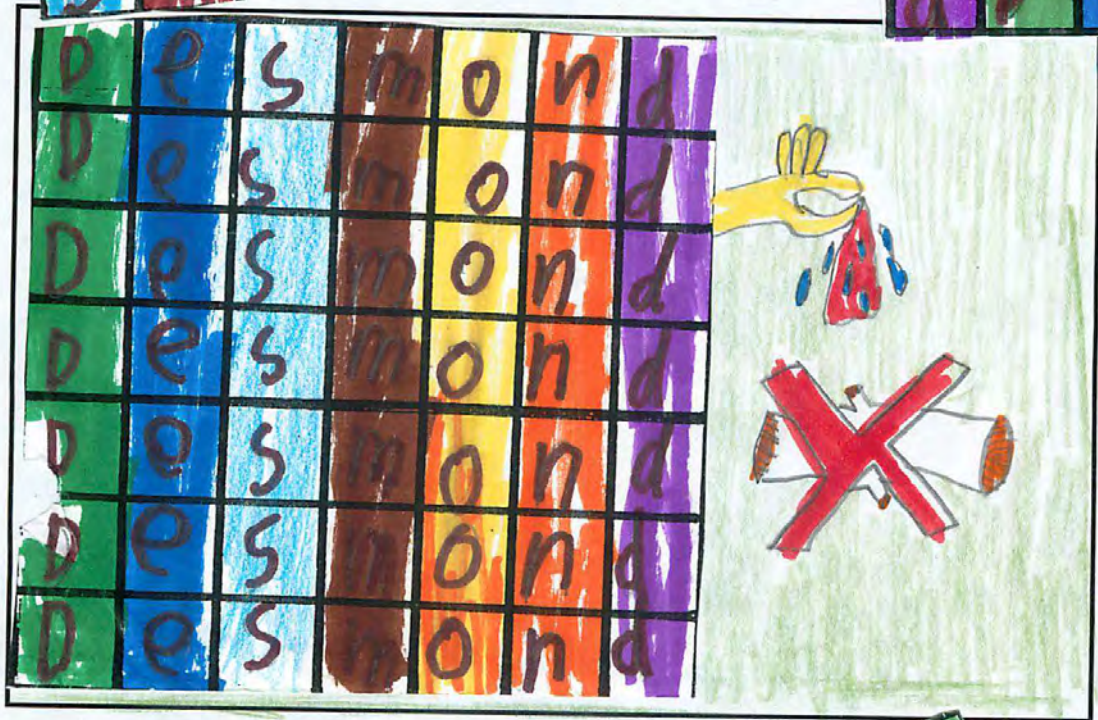
I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?





I Found It In My Name

By Desi (Desmond) Risinger



In my name I found *singer*
but not *music*

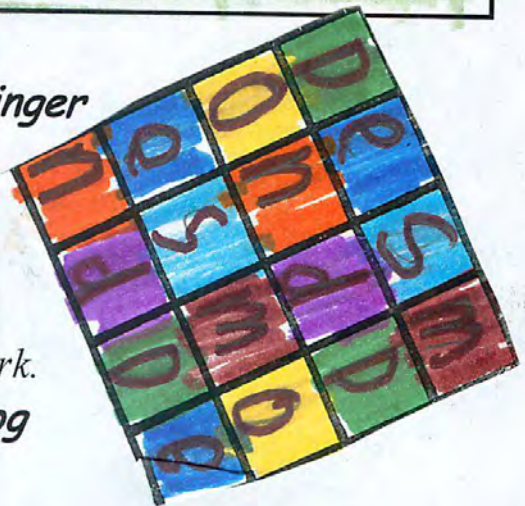
I see *green*
but not *lean*

I have *din* and *gin*
but not *park* or *lark*.

In my name I found *sog*
but not *log*.

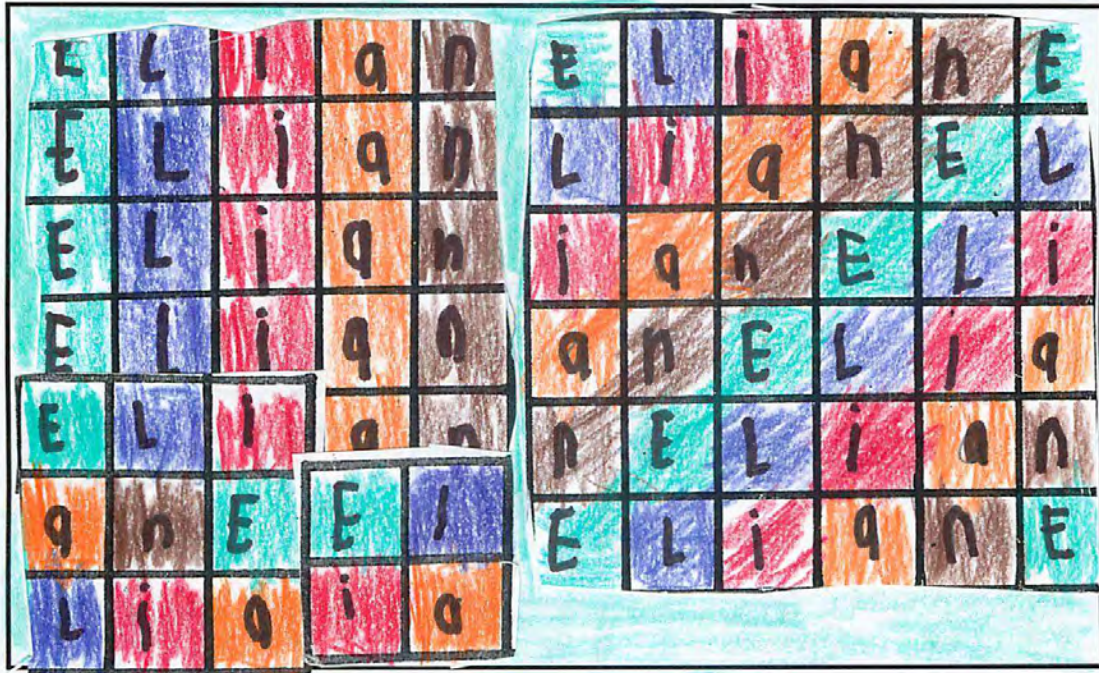
I see *Dad*
but not *lad*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?



I Found It In My Name

By Elian Montes



In my name I found **meat**
but not *tacos*.

I see **men**
but not its *girls*.

I have **steam** and **tea**
but not *pot* or *hot*

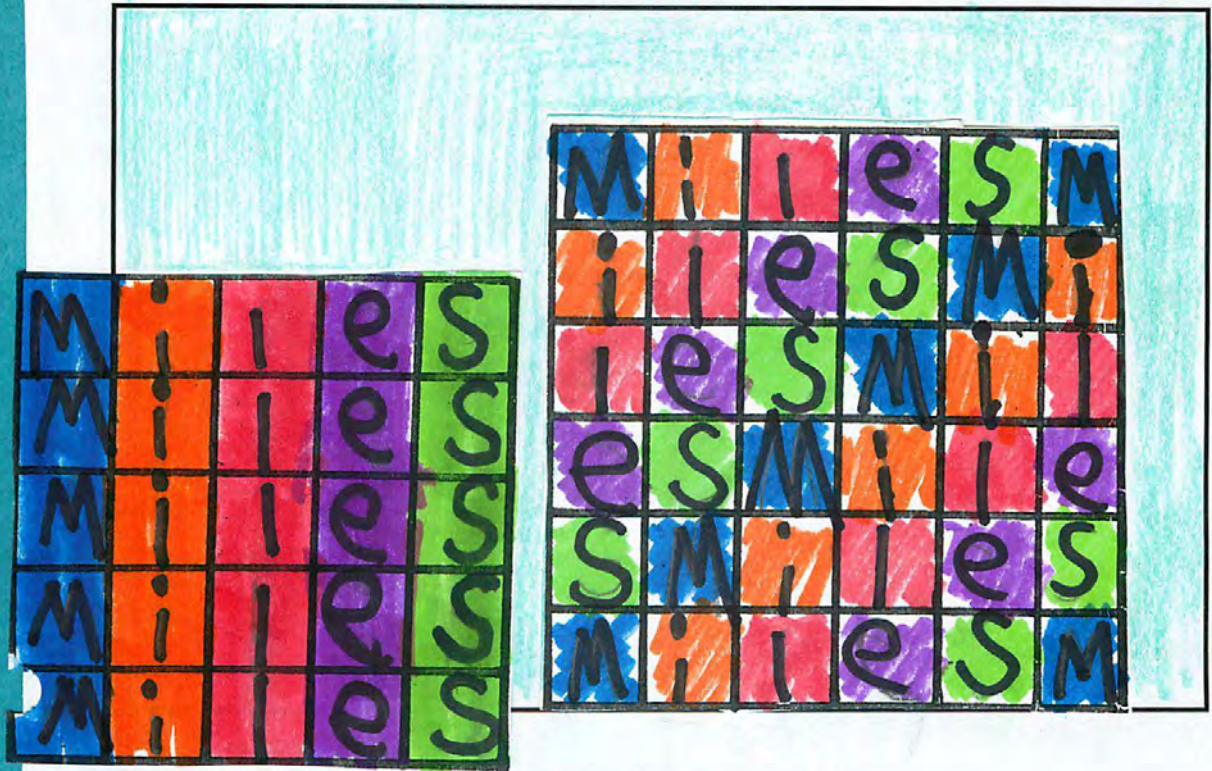
In my name I found **teams**
but not *football*.

I see **son**
but not *sister*..

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?

I Found It In My Name

By Miles Washington



In my name I found *smile*
but not *happy*.

I see a *wing*
but not *a bird*.

I have *washes* and *wash*
but not *clean* or *dirty*.

In my name I found *Miles*
but not *Davis*.

I see *seat*
but not *theater*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?



E	d
W	i

Edwin

I Found It In My Name

by Edwin Sylvis Kim

d	W	i	n
W	i	n	E
i	n	E	d

E
W
n
d
i
E
W



d
i
E
W
n
d

E	E	E	E
P	P	P	P
M	M	M	M
i	i	i	i
J	J	J	J

In my name I found *win*

but not *lose*.

I see *vial*

but not *cup*.

I have *mine* and *me*

but not *yours* or *you*.

In my name I found *die*

but not *live*

I see *why*

but not *when*

I found all of this in my name.

What can you find in yours?

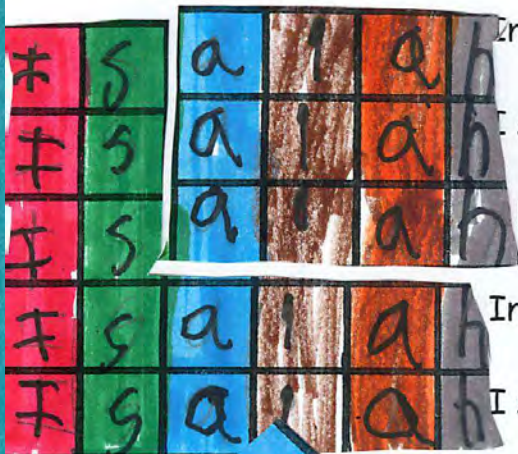
E	d	W	i
n	E	d	W
i	n	E	d
W	i	n	E

n	E	d	W	i
E	d	W	i	n
d	W	i	n	E

E	d	W
i	n	E
d	W	i

I Found It In My Name

by Isaiah Matthews



In my name I found *math*
but not *add*.



I see *we*
but not *me*.



have *thaw* and *hat*
but not *frozen* or *hat*.

In my name I found *hi*
but not *bye*.



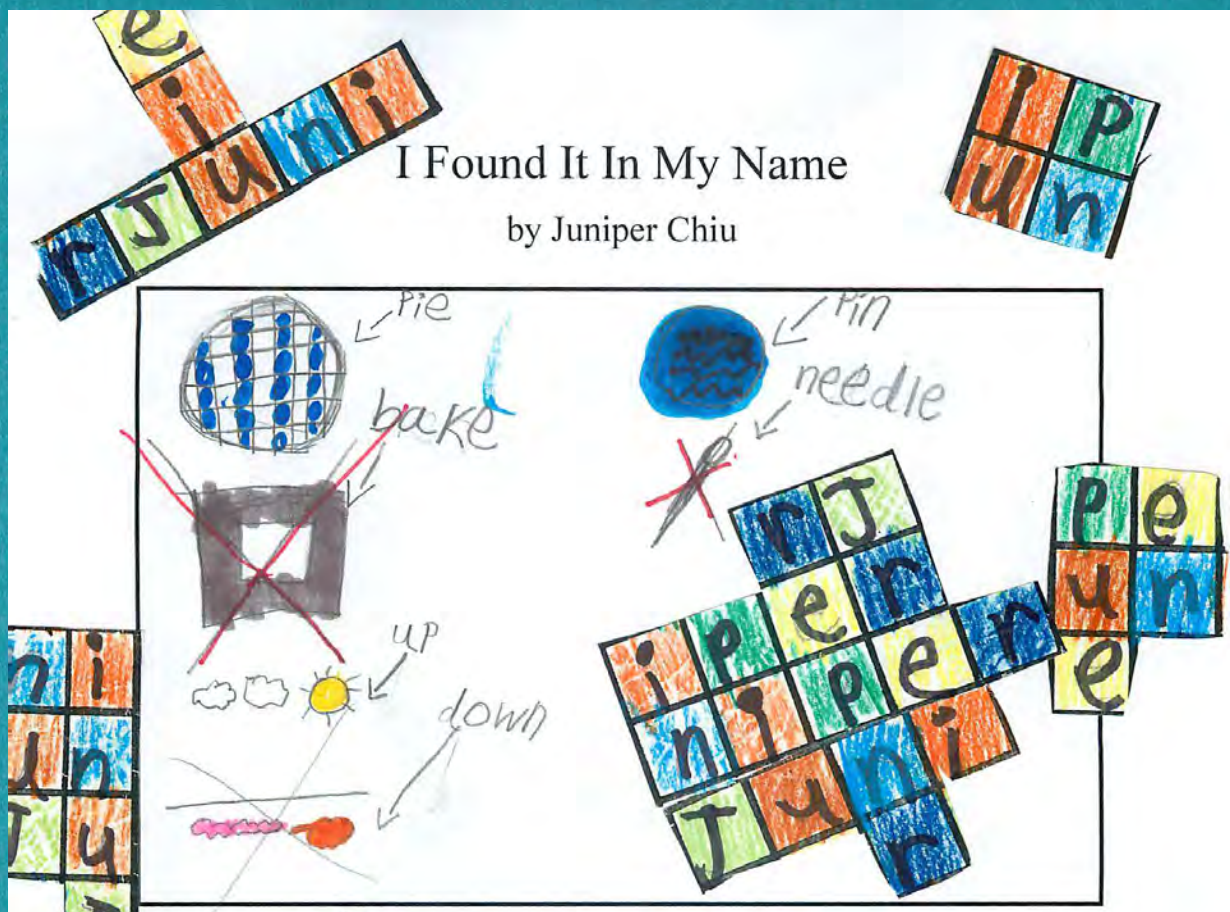
I see *mit*
but not *ball*

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?



I Found It In My Name

by Juniper Chiu

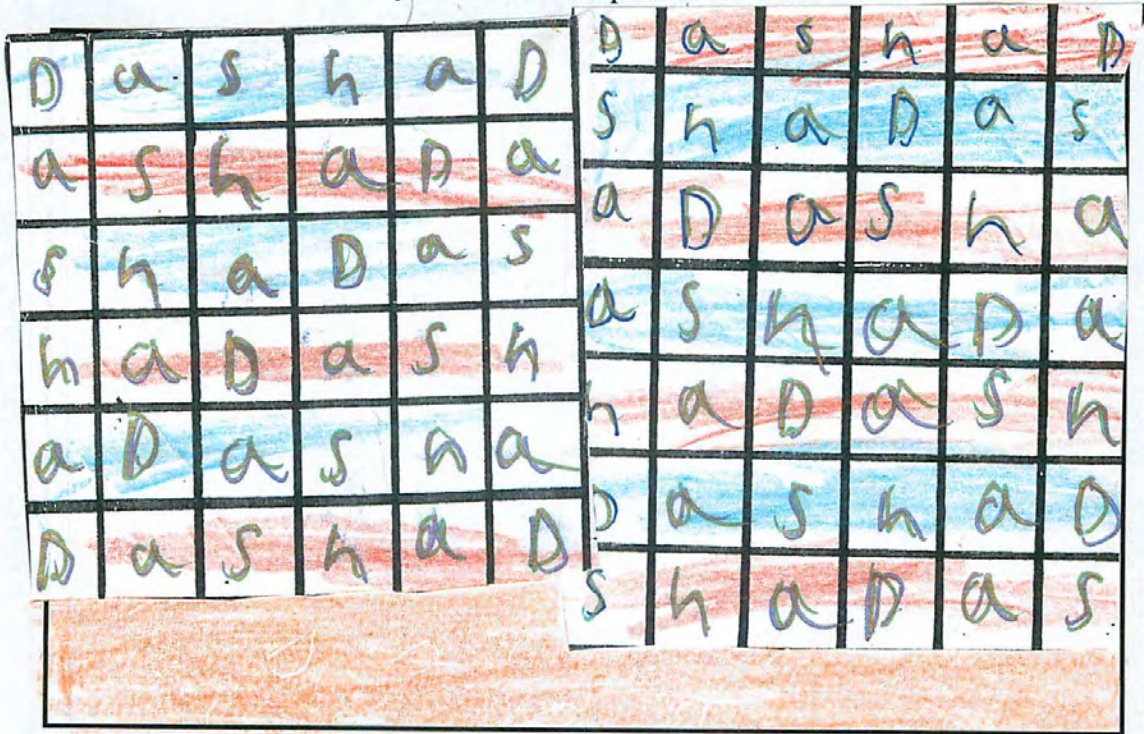


In my name I found *up*
but not *down*.
I see *her*
but not *him*.
I have *in* and *pin*
but not *out* or *needle*.
In my name I found *hip*
but not *hand*
I see *pie*
but not *bake*
I found all of this in my name
What can you find in yours?



I Found It In My Name

By Dasha Vasquez-Amador



In my name I found **adore**
but not *hate*.

I see **shade**
but not *shop*.

I have **maze** and **made**
but not *sip* or *dip*.

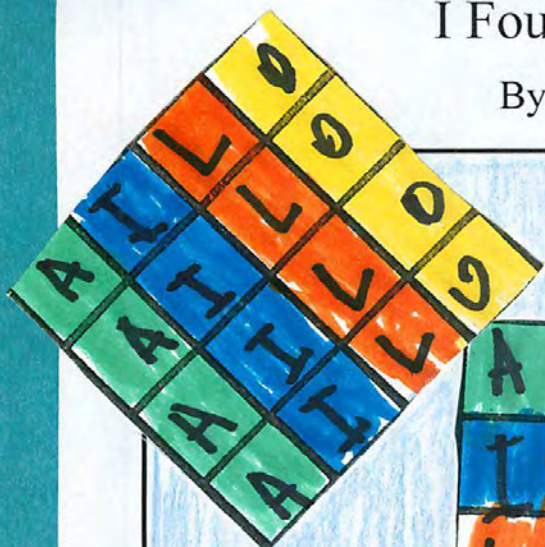
In my name I found **vase**
but not *flowers*.

I see **dash**
but not *sky*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?

I Found It In My Name

By Ailo Adrian Becker



In my name I found *near*
but not *far*.

I see an *end*
but not *a beginning*.

I have *I* and *A*
but not *me* or *my*.

In my name I found *bend*
but not *straight*.

I see *no*
but not *yes*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?



k	e
h	z

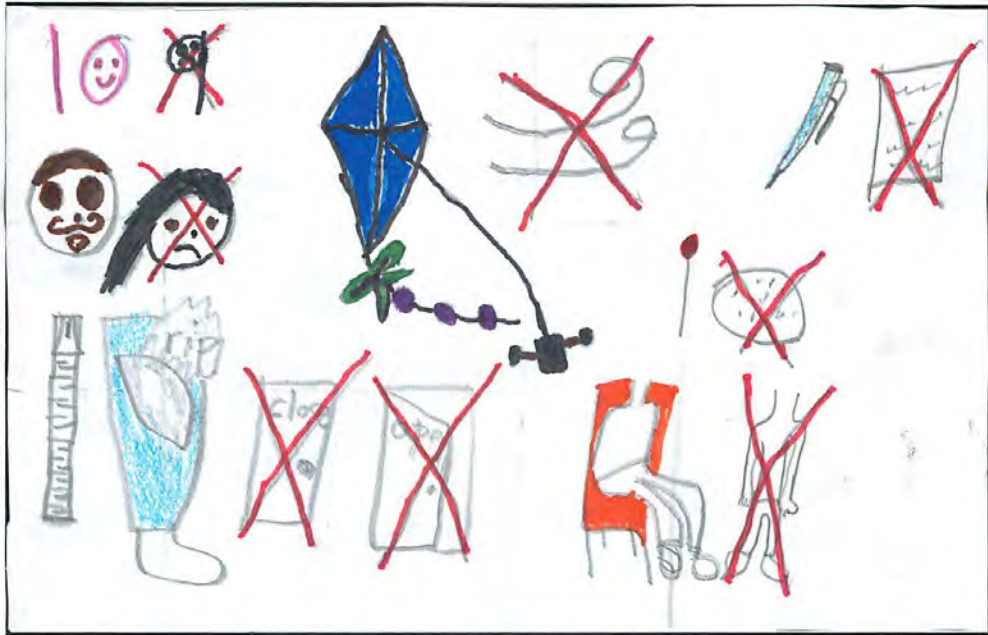
K	e	n	Z	i
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k	e	n
Z	i	K
e	n	Z

I Found It In My Name

by Kenzi L. Spitzer

K
e
n
Z
i



K	e	n	Z	i
K	e	n	Z	
K	e	n		
K	e			
K				
				i
		Z	i	
	n	Z	i	
e	n	Z	i	

In my name I found *ten* .
but not nine.

I see *Sir*
but not Ma'am.

I have *zip* and *rip*
but not close or open.

In my name I found *kite*
but not *wind*.

I see *pen*
but not *paper*.

I found all of this in my name.

What can you find in yours?

		e	n	Z
K			e	n
i	K		k	e
Z	i		i	K
n	Z			

I Found It In My Name

by Opal Stead



In my name I found *stop*
but not go.

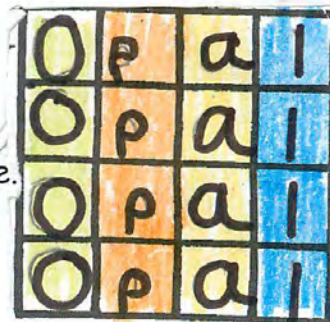
I see *last*
but not linger.

I have *pat* and *date*
but not pig or calendar.

In my name I found *sat*
but not stand.

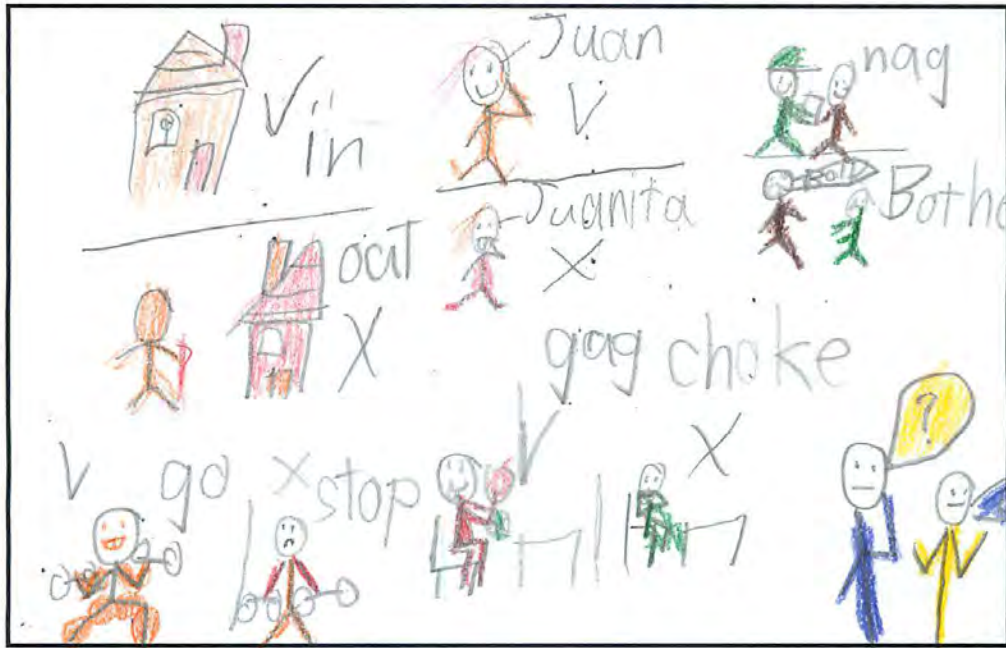
I see *lost*
but not *found*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?



I Found It In My Name

by Guang Hao Lin



In my name I found *Juan*
but not *Juanita*.
I see *in*
but not *out*.
I have *gag* and *nag*
but not *choke* or *witch*.
In my name I found *go*
but not *stop*.
I see *nag*
but not *bother*.
I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?



I Found It In My Name

by Hannah Tobin



In my name I found *hi*
but not *bye*.

I see *to*
but not *back*.

I have *bin* and *in*
but not *bag* or *out*.

In my name I found *no*
but not *yes*.

I see *on*
but not *off*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?



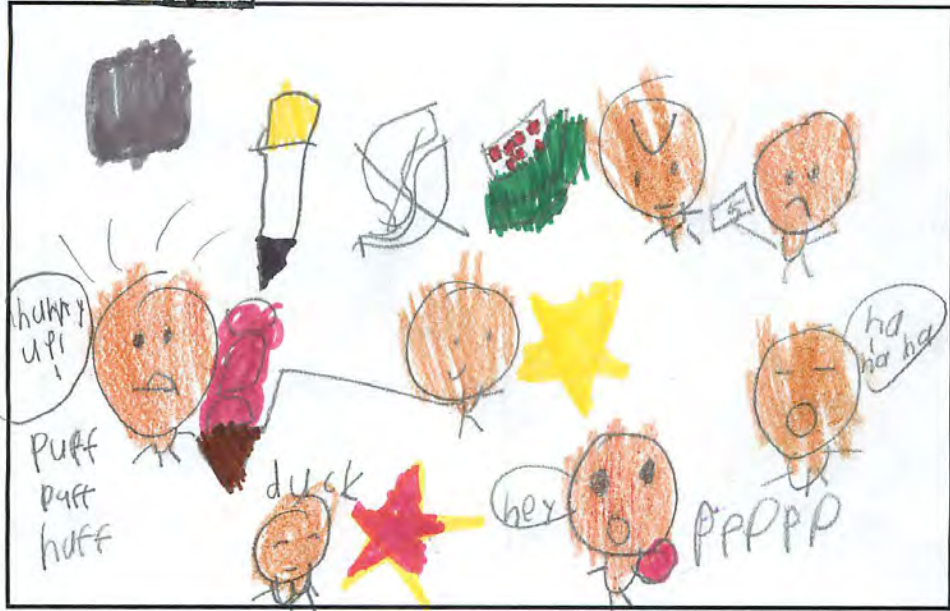
Owen
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I Found It In My Name

by Owen Lai



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en Owen

In my name I found *park*

but not play.

I see *prank*

but not stank.

I have *pen* and *work*

but not paper or office.

In my name I found *owe*

but not pay.

I see *low*

but not high.

I found all of this in my name.

What can you find in yours?

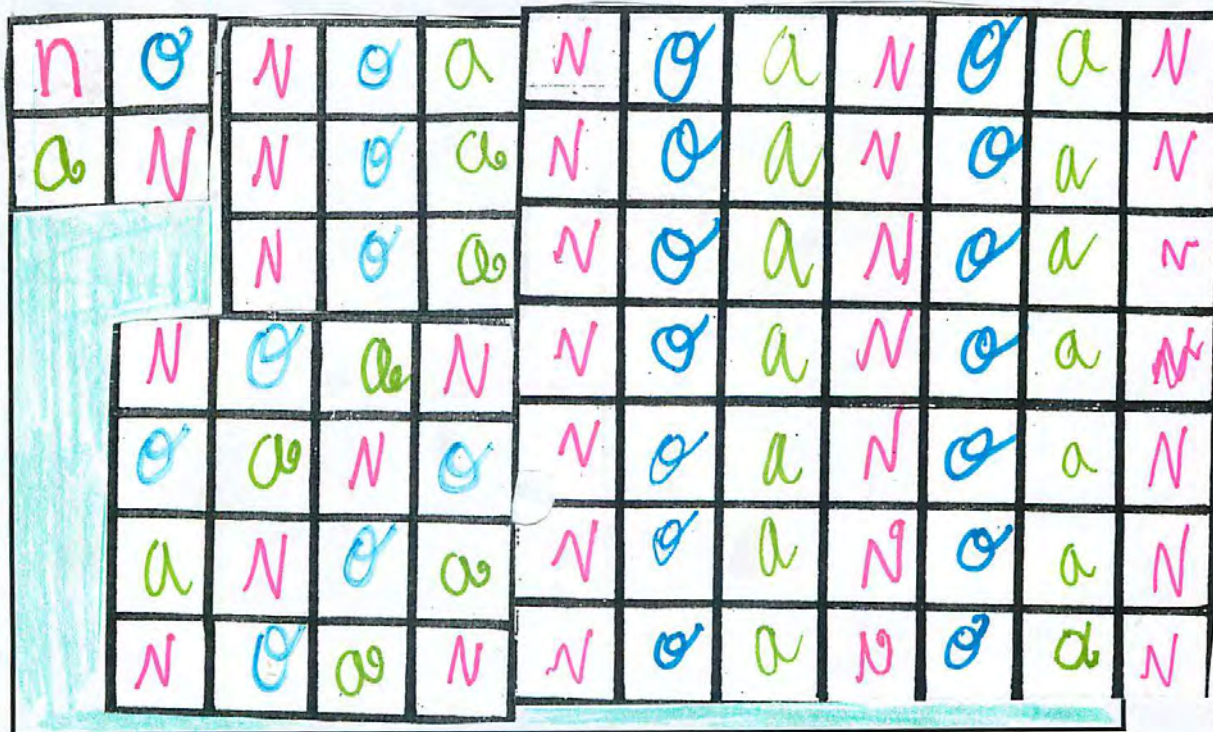
Owen

Owen

Owen

I Found It In My Name

By Noa Reyna-Toran



In my name I found a **note** to send in the mail
but not a *stamp*.

I see **to**
but not *from*.

I have **no** and **not**
but not *yes* or *maybe*.

In my name I found **ran**
but not *walk*.

I see **too**
but not *also*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?

H	e	n
e	t	
e		

I Found It In My Name

by Hetta Jennhoefer

H	e
h	r



H	e	n	r
i	e	t	t
a	H	e	n
r	i	e	t

In my name I found *one*
but not two.

I see *her*
but not him.

I have and *on* and *no*
but not off or yes.

In my name I found *tree*
but not *nest*.

I see *to*
but not from.

I found all of this in my name.

What can you find in yours?

H	e	n
r	i	e
t	t	a

H e n r i e t t a

I Found It In My Name

by Mabel Spector



M	a	b	e	l	M
a	b	e	l	M	a
b	e	l	M	a	b
e	l	M	a	b	e
l	M	a	b	e	l
M	a	b	e	l	M

In my name I found *pal*
but not *friend*.

I see *table*
but not *chair*.

I have *pest* and *able*
but not *squirrel* or *unable*.

In my name I found *peas*
but not *carrots*.

I see *respect*
but not *disrespect*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?

M	a		
b	e		
M	a	b	
e	l	M	
a	b	e	
M	a	b	e
l	M	a	b
e	l	M	a

M

n

a

i

a

i

I Found It In My Name

by Manali Watson



M	a
n	a

In my name I found *Anna*
but not *Joe*.

I see *as*
but not *when*.

I have *man* and *son*
but not *woman* or *girl*.

In my name I found *also*
but not *and*

I see *at*
but not *there*

I found all of this in my name.

What can you find in yours?

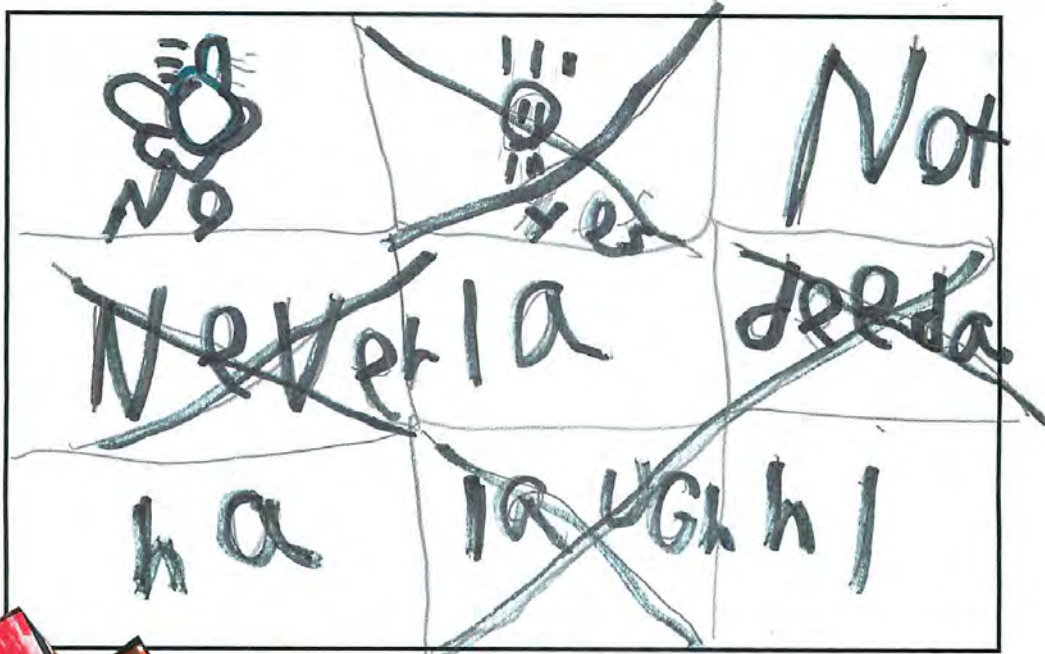
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a	i	i
M	a	n

M	a	n	a
i	M	a	n
i	i	M	a
n	a	i	i

M a n a i i

I Found It In My Name

by Elijah Lee Rosenthal



In my name I found *rosie*
but not *posie*.

I see *no*
but not *yes*.

I have *not* and *la*
but not *never* or *dee da*.

In my name I found *ha*
but not *laugh*.

I see *hi*
but not *bye*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?



N

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I Found It In My Name

by Nico Albert Jaeger



In my name I found *got*
but not *give*.

I see *rain*
but not *snow*.

I have and *BART* and *train*
but not *bike* or *truck*.

In my name I found *bear*
but not *hair*.

I see *grin*
but not *laugh*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?



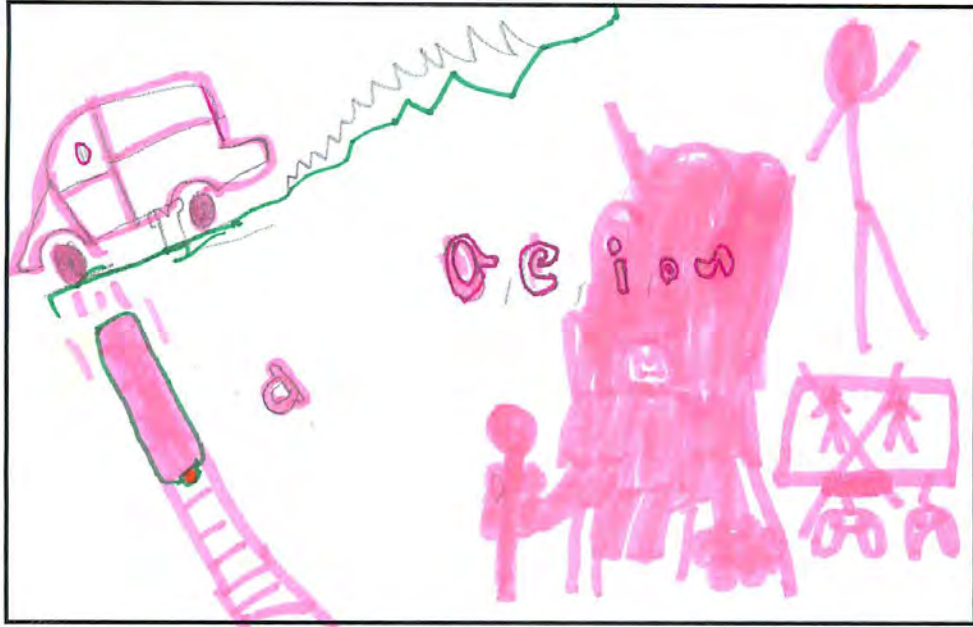
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I Found It In My Name

by Jeremiah Lucaro



In my name I found *a,e,i,o,u*
but not *vowels*.

I see *Lou*
but not *Noa*.

I have *real* and *rule*
but not *fake* or *kingdom*

In my name I found *car*
but not *truck*

I see *rail*
but not *train*

I found all of this in my name
What can you find in yours?



Djumi

I Found It In My Name

by Djumi Zaza Chung Sayyed



In my name I found *hug*
but not *kiss*.

I see *said*
but not *speak*.

I have *jug* and *gug*
but not *bug* or *insect*.

In my name I found *jug*
but not *jar*.

I see *chin*
but not *mouth*.

I found all of this in my name.
What can you find in yours?





Zahara

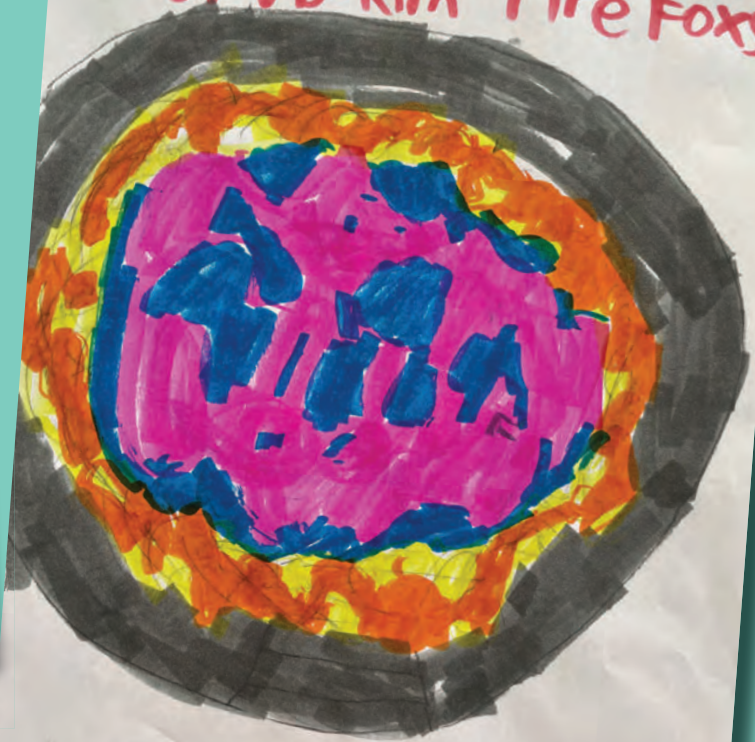


By: Owen



Nico Jaeger

Edwin 2nd grade
Sylvia-Kim Fite Foxs



I Wish Poem

Our class "I Wish" poem was one of the first pieces of poetry that we worked on this year. Each student contributed one line to our "I Wish" poem. We randomly put the lines together to make a poem. To give the poem unity, some rules were made about what should be in every line. Each line had to begin with the words "*I Wish.*"

The second graders in both classes wrote about a *favorite animal*, a *favorite hobby*, and a *favorite food*.

At our first ever virtual Back-to-School Night over Zoom during the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic, parents had fun guessing which line their child wrote, and posting a response into their child's Seesaw.

I Wish

by Michelle's Class, the Fire Foxes

I wish I were eating my mom's mac and cheese while drawing by my hamsters.

I wish I was eating Japanese noodles while biking near a fox den.

I wish I were eating my grammy's matzaball soup while watching meerkats play while riding my bike.

I wish I were eating my mom's delicious stir-fry while watching my cats.

I wish it was my birthday and I'm eating drumsticks, watching coyotes.

I wish I were doing standup paddle while watching turtles swimming in the ocean and eating layer cake.

I wish I were playing video games with my favorite stuffy puppy chippy while eating popcorn

I wish I were a fox sitting on the beach eating my mom's banana bread.

I wish I were having bedtime while eating chicken curry while I pet my dog.

I wish I were a mermaid, playing *Animal Crossing* and eating ice cream.

I wish I were a fox eating pancakes lying in bed.

I wish I were a squirrel, playing dead, and eating ice cream.

I wish I were a peregrine falcon eating shrimp and resting on a couch.

I wish I had a kitten while I was sewing and eating pancakes.

I wish I were eating rice and petting Sophie the dog.

I wish I were a kitten, roller skating and eating chicken soup my grandma makes.

I wish I were an owl flying back in time to see my 4th great-grandmother and eat snow pudding at the same time.



★ I Wish Poem

A poetic riddle written by the Second Graders featuring...
a favorite animal • doing a favorite activity • a favorite food

I Wish I were a dog swimming and making while eating carrot cake. (Djuna)

I Wish I were a cat playing tennis and drinking lemonade. (Lou)

I Wish I were a snake scootering and eating cheeseburgers and fries. (Sebastian)

I Wish I were a cat swimming at the beach and eating ice cream. (Ailo)

I Wish I were a tiger playing Monopoly and eating red beans. (Miles)

I Wish I were a bear drawing and eating Red Boy cheese pizza with chicken strips. (Desi)

I Wish I were a dog swimming in the hot springs and drinking cucumber water. (Noa)

I Wish I were a gorilla bike riding and eating coconuts. (Rassoul)

I Wish I were a cat biking and eating cheese pizza. (Ari)

I Wish I were a dog swimming and eating spaghetti. (Dasha)

I Wish I were a bat building legos eating strawberries. (Elian)

I Wish I were a black panther that was playing games and eating cheese pizza. (Ivan)

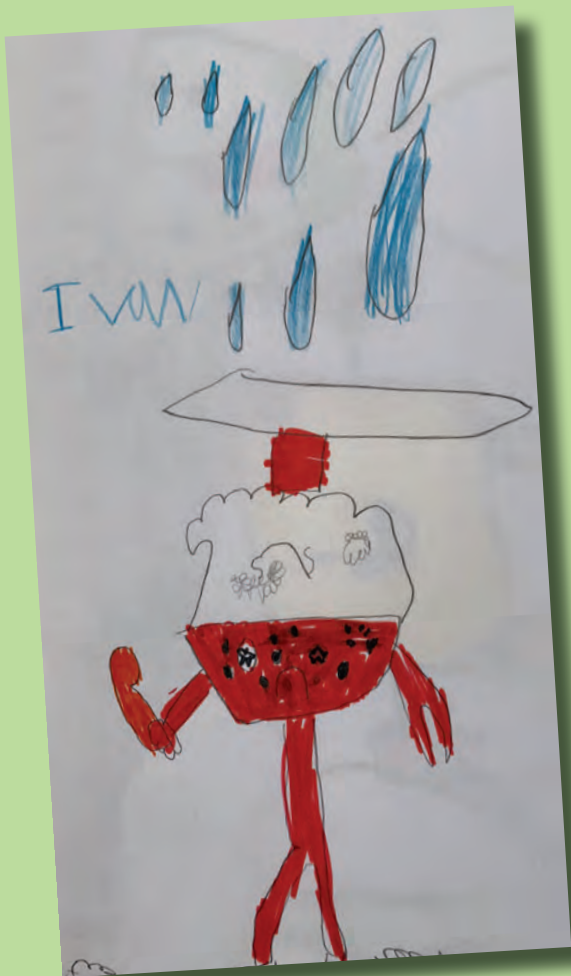
I Wish I were a dolphin or a wolf doing gymnastics and eating sushi. (Lilah)

I Wish I were a fairy doing art and eating tacos and sushi. (Zahara)

I Wish I were a snake going on walks eating rice and seaweed. (Parker)

I Wish I were a dog swimming and eating potstickers. (Koko)

I Wish I were a dog jumping on the trampoline eating pesto pasta. (Sasha)





NATURE POEMS

Poetry inspired by the elements

Summer Is *These poems reflect one of our first steps into exploring poetry. Student thoughts reflect memories fresh from the leisurely days of summer bliss. This is what summer is made of....*

Winter Sweetness
by Langston Hughes

*This little house is sugar.
Its roof with snow is piled,
And from its tiny window
peeps a maple sugar child.*

Rain poems *When the rain finally came, it certainly did so with pizzazz and power. Armed with a clipboard and pencil, students eagerly embarked into the rain to jot observations about the marvelously wet world around them. These notes were then revised and transformed (with encouragement to add in onomatopoeia and repetition) into the rain poems in this section.*

Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening
by Robert Frost

*Whose woods these are
I think I know
His house is in the village though
He will not see me stopping here
To watch his woods fill up with
snow*

*My little horse must think it queer
To stop without a farmhouse
near
Between the woods and frozen
lake
The darkest evening of the year.*

*He gives his harness bells a shake
To ask if there is some mistake
The only other sound's the sweep
Of easy wind and downy flake.*

*The woods are lovely, dark, and
deep
But I have promises to keep
And miles to go before I sleep,
And miles to go before I sleep.*

Pitter Patter

by Ayla

Slippery and wet on my skin
as it starts to rain

rain drops

fall

from the sky

drip drop drip drop

pats on my window

let the rain

psh ssh ssh crkkk and **Bang!**

the rain sings a song

the rain sings a song

on my roof

as I fall asleep

The rain is good for you and me,

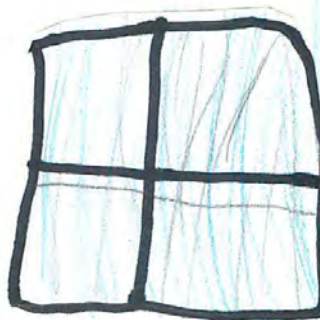
flowers, plants and trees

The rain is coming

soft and sweet

ssssh hhhh psh ssh

shh crkkk **Bang!**



The Rain Dragon

By Lou

Rain feels cold

Like the icy breath of a dragon

A sweet cloud of sugar

Like the wet sprinkle of the pool,

From the dragon's golden *blistering wing* hitting the water

SWOOSH

The rain falls down as hard as a statue
It taps down like a frog hopping up and down

Tip tap, tip tap

And falls down like drops of sweet sugar from the sky

When the rain comes down like the marbles

CRISH CRASH

The dragon stands guard
from a faraway kingdom in the sky.



The Rain Garden

By Opal

The smell of wet fava beans
damp soil,
dirt and wet lettuce.

Rain smells like
water, snow, and ice.

Plip plop
drip drop
tipper tatter.

Looks of tear droplets and water bits
broken up and blown away

The **shock** from rain

The howling wind and freezing cold ice
drip drop
goes the rain.

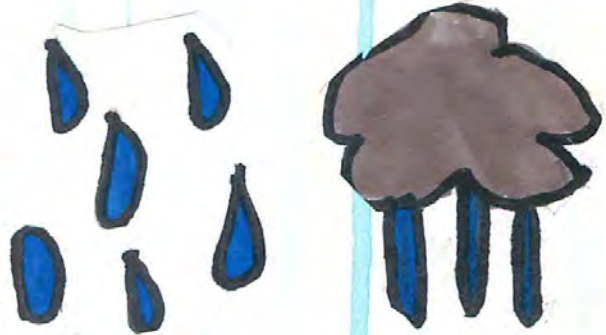
A **strong storm** arrives

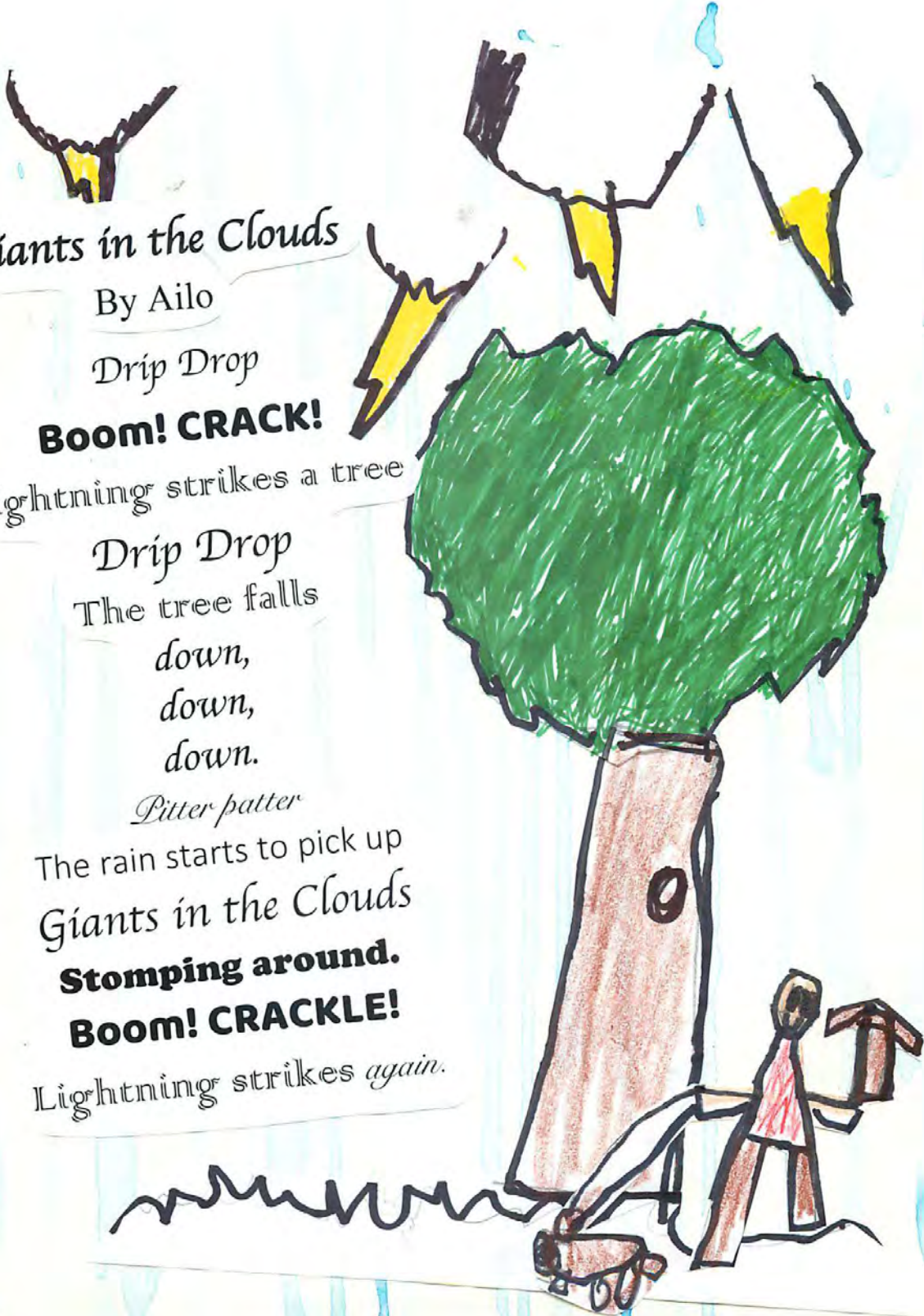
The sound of crumbling crackers
and a fountain dripping gutter too.

Plip plop, drip drop, tipper tatter.

I am happy in the rain.

In the rain I get wet
my hands are wet
my legs are wet
my feet are wet
drip drop
drip drop





Giants in the Clouds

By Ailo

Drip Drop

Boom! CRACK!

Lightning strikes a tree

Drip Drop

The tree falls

*down,
down,
down.*

Pitter patter

The rain starts to pick up

Giants in the Clouds

Stomping around.

Boom! CRACKLE!

Lightning strikes again.



In the Rain

by Jeremiah

In the rain

there are so many things to do

I see gray clouds

Liquid leaves in the wind!

I hear drips

THUNDER

Tiny drips on my window

I taste water with

particles of germs

in our rain

It comes

down

down

down

The rain comes

down into the night

When I am in bed

I look at my window

I see tiny rain drops

on my window

I put my hand

out the window

I feel just r a i n

and, that is normal



Crying clouds

by Guang Hao

Drop, Drop
Rain flying down to the land
The gray clouds crying
I use my eyes to see
the crying gray clouds
with glazing, gray wet
land

with a stormy
BOOM
and a drop
my hamster running around
like kids running
BOOM
like crazy kids
the people run like cheetahs
to their houses

I look out
I see **BOOM** clouds
sad clouds

I tell the clouds,
"stop **BOOMING**
and stop crying"

The day became sunny
I go out and see



Rain Poem

By Dasha

*The rain
made my porch wet*

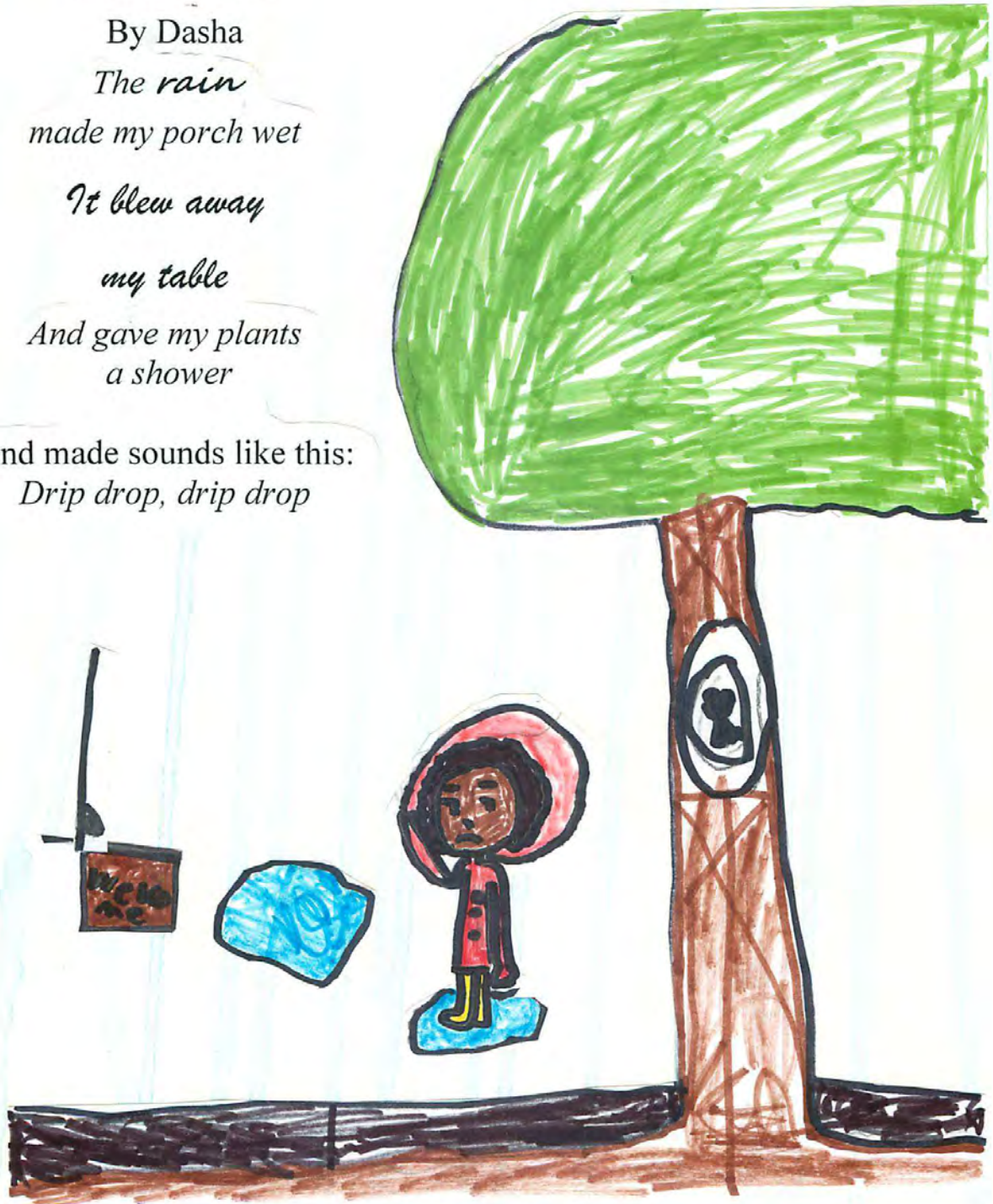
It blew away

my table

*And gave my plants
a shower*

And made sounds like this:

Drip drop, drip drop



When it Rains

by Mabel

Pitter, Patter, Pitter, Patter
I think it's starting to rain.
Mom closes the window
when it rains.

Dad makes a fire,
My sister makes hot cocoa,
That's what happens when it rains.

*The rain starts falling **faster***
*and **faster***
*and **faster***

and I can barely see through the windows
That's what happens when it rains

If I wipe my hand on the window
I can see little baby rain drops
when it rains

I ask my mom to go outside
She says, yes.

I jump out the door and into a puddle
that splashes and pours over me

It feels so nice
like I'm swooping through the clouds

That's just what happens when it rains

I open my mouth,
the rain water tastes like icy cold water
that always makes me feel better
when I'm angry

The rain smells like a pine forest
when I'm camping

I am about to take another sip of rain water
but then drip, drop,
plip, plop, it stops.



Rain Power

by Edwin

There it is

It has come

The drizzling has only begun

There it goes

Lightning strikes!

It goes quick!

Like the speed of sound!

Clouds are gray

Clouds aren't blue

BOOM! Thunder roars

It's rain! It's rain! It's rain!

Hail comes to play

We will be ready today

The grass is wet

The wind is strong

WHOOSH! WHOOSH!

It blows stronger

and stronger

strong as a rhino

fast as a cheetah

SPLOOSH! SPLOOSH!

WHOOSH! WHOOSH!

BOOM! BOOM!

Plip! Plip!

When it's done, rainbows sprout

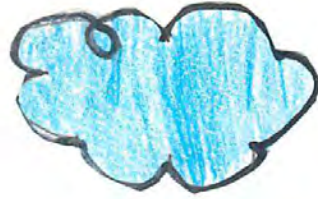
The sun finally comes out

And the rain

goes

away





Rain Poem

By Koko

Pitter Patter Pitter Patter
Rain is falling.

Pitter Patter Pitter Patter
Moist and wet
on my bare hand.

Pitter Patter Pitter Patter
Birds are chirping.

Pitter Patter Pitter Patter
Smoochy mud
on my boots.

Pitter Patter Pitter Patter
Rain is falling.



The Howling Wind and the Glistening Rain

by Kenzi

Pitter patter

pitter patter

*I hear the rain splash
on my door*

Pitter patter

pitter patter

*Tapping on a dog's fur
I look out my window
and hear the howling wind
I see glistening drops of clear,
smooth,
wet water.*

I hear it pour like the waves.





Thunder and Lightning

by Elijah

When it rains

I smell **dirt**

I taste water

And I see rain splashing down

And turning into puddles

I feel water **hitting** my shoes

I hear the pitter pattering

BAM, the lightning!

Electricity!

Put your umbrellas away!

CRASH!

Watch out!





Magical Rain

by Hannah



Pitter-patter, tip-tap, drip-drop

It is rain

Wet cold rain is falling on my face

The sky is gray

The rain is falling

HARD!

Pitter-patter, tip-tap, drip-drop

BOOM!

It is thunder

Loud booming thunder

Pitter-patter, tip-tap, drip-drop, crack

BOOM!

The sparkly blue sky

With beautiful drops of sparkly wet water

Is looking down at me

I smile and sit down

To enjoy the rain

Pitter-patter, tip-tap, drip-drop, crack

BOOM!

I love the rain.

I love the rain.





Pure Water

By Sasha

Rain drops on my apricot tree
Like tiny ornaments
The air is cool.

The rain is soothing and cool
The rain tastes pure like drinking water,
and I feel little droplets falling on me.

Water Wonder

by Djumi

I look out the window
Whats that I hear?

It's not **thunder**

It's not the **wind**

It's just rain... just rain

It goes pitter patter on my window

Then suddenly

BOOM CRASH

I feel like I can fly

I see people wearing boots

And the ground wet with water

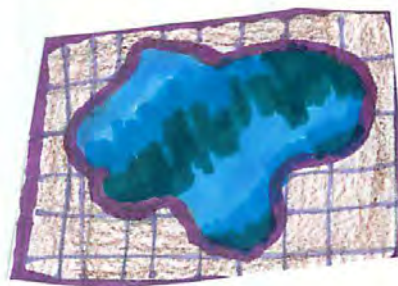
What was that I saw?

It's Mary Poppins

With her

beautiful

umbrella



The Rain & Earth

By Rassoul

Rain on my nose *tip tap*

Pouring rain -

The tears of Earth

falling to us,

asking us,

telling us:

Take better care of me.

Rain on the ground

Rain in the air.





It Rains and Rains

By Elian

The drippity drop l
ands on my window
The smell of wet dirt
brings a smile to my face.

The *cold* water
makes my skin go *brrrrrr*

I see little *puddles*
on my patio

Cold wet trickles
falling from the sky
Drippity drop,
drippity drop.



Rain – plus more!

By Lilah

Tttttttt tttttttt
Tttttttt tttttttt
Tttttttt tttttttt
Tttttttt tttttttt
Tttttttt tttttttt

Rain drizzling on my face

Brrrrr...

the wet droplets are very cold.

Gggggg....

The sound of thunder

Gray clouds going away

The sun is on its way.



The Rain

by River

Drop-drip

drop-drip

It's starting to rain

Flip-flop

flip-Flop

FLIP-FLOP

Now louder and **LOUDEER**

BOOM

**BOOM
CRACK**

Now my dog is soaking

I get hot chocolate

Woosh, woosh, woosh

The sky is gray

Plip-plop

Plip-plop

Plip-plop

The bench is soaking

It's like a lake





Crash!

The soft
INTENSE
Rain
by Owen



boom!

*Pitter-patter
Splash splash
The rain is dancing
around me
like flower pedals*

*Raining so peacefully
The ground is
as cold as ice*

*The raining
never
stops
BOOM! CRASH! BAM!*



The Wet Bench

By Zahara

As smooth as earth
when you sit on it
Plop, plop, plop
Fresh tears fall from the sky
It feels like ice, coating the
Slippery Bench!

Frehs love coming out of the sky

What a nice day

Ahh.... Wetness

Plop, plop, plop

Shhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh

Plop, plop, plop

Shhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh

Yay!

It's raining buckets.

The wet bench

The smooth earth

Plop, plop, plop

Shhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh.



Falling Rain

By Djuna

Rain goes
down,
down,
down

From my window

It says:

Drip drop

Plip plop

Whoooooosh!



I Love the Rain

by Nico

The rain
on my tongue
is refreshing
rain **plops** on my roof
pitter patter pitter patter.
as it **drops** on my tongue
like little cold **Bubbles**.

I get calm happy and
peaceful
shhhhh

with the sleet it comes
and the misty air
is very nice
I love the rain.



Rain

By Parker

I see gray clouds
It starts to rain.

I *Splash and Splash* in the rain

I feel the *Wind* in my hair,

I hear *whoosh whoosh*

I smell the pine trees
in the air

My hair is soaked,
but I don't care!





I Love Rain

by Manali

Pitter patter,

pitter patter

The rain pours down

It is clear and wet

It tastes like water

It feels cold

I can hear

plop plop

I can see nice gray clouds

I smell warm hot cocoa

as I watch the rain

it looks like little pebbles

falling on my face

it feels nice as it

dribbles

down

my shouders



Tears from Heaven

by Isaiah

The rain falls
from heaven
Peace for plants
Water
And rain and rain
The umbrella
Care
Rain
Very peaceful
Tears from heaven
Tears from heaven
Tears from heaven



Rain Storm

By Ari

The rain feels
like little specks of dirt
The rain sounds
like plip plop:
The rain is cold.
I like to eat popcorn
on rainy days.
It feels like
the clouds are crying.
The rain smells like
fresh air.



Drip Drop poem

By Ivan

Rain, dropping from the sky

Falling on my head

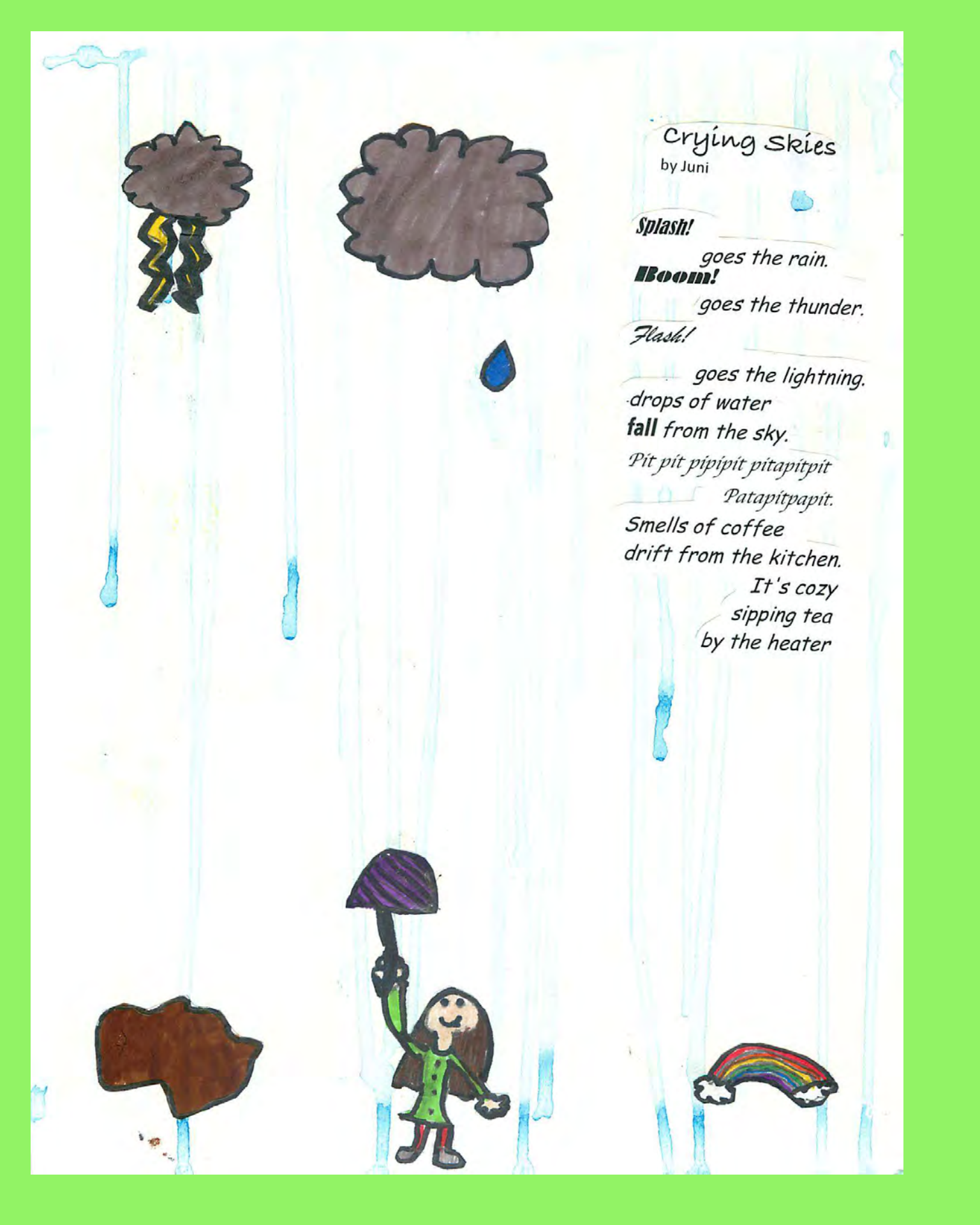
Dip top dip top dip top

Splish Splash.

I splish-splash in the mud,
getting all wet.

The drops
feel good.





Crying Skies

by Juni

Splash!

goes the rain.

Boom!

goes the thunder.

Flash!

goes the lightning.

drops of water

fall from the sky.

Pit pit pipipit pitapitpit

Patapitpapit.

Smells of coffee

drift from the kitchen.

It's cozy

sipping tea

by the heater

Splash!

Rain falls

down

from the sky

The smell of fresh earth

as I walk

through my garden

I watch the rain

It looks like small heroes

It feels like there's snakes

RUN!

I hold out my tongue

interesting

Tastes like wet lettuce.

It sounds like a fountain.

Pitter Patter Pitter Patter

The rain is nice

Tip tap tip tap

The rain makes me happy

Small Heroes

by Hetta



Sky High Poem

By Miles

Boom! Boom! Boom!

I see water, *wet and cold*

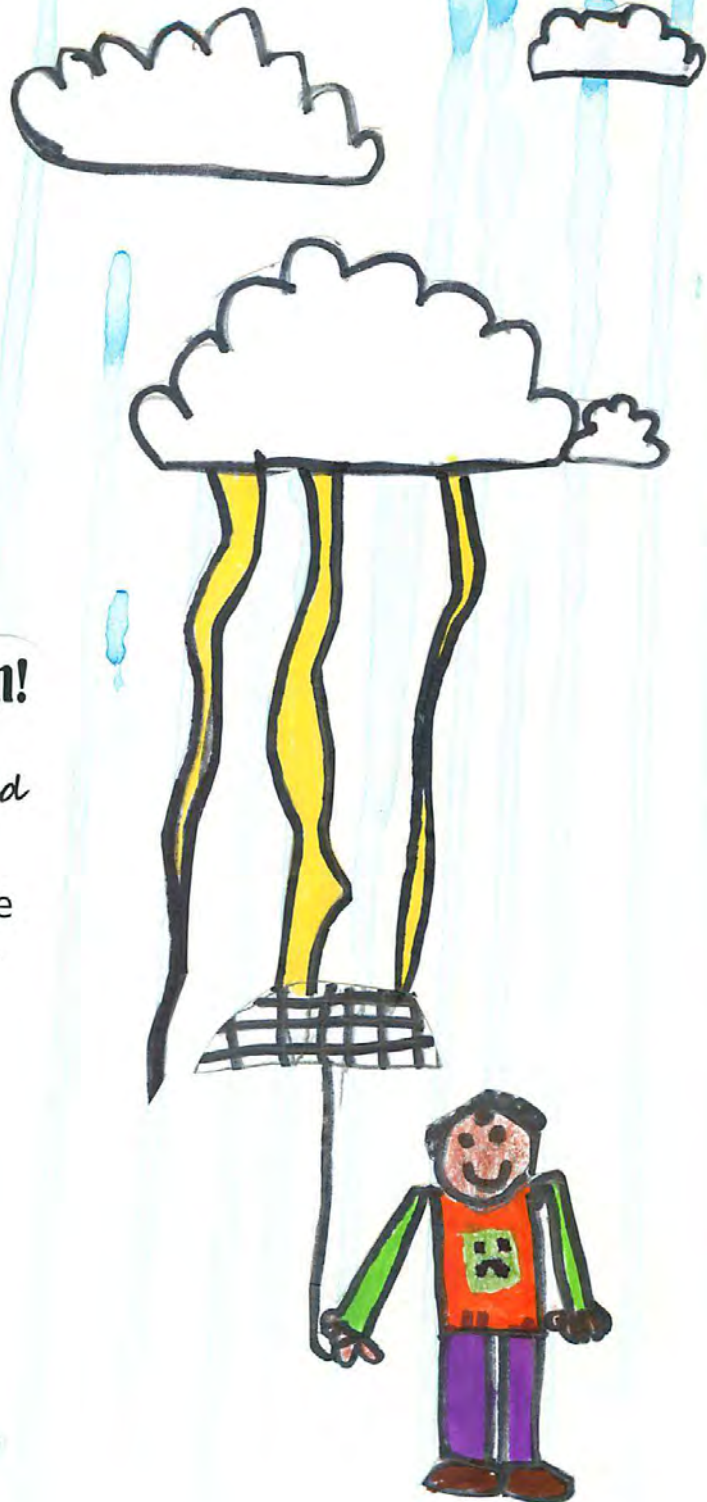
Fresh from the sky

It feels as cold as ice

Smells like flowers

I feel good

I feel good.





Rain

By Sebastian



It sounds like a salt shaker

Drip drop drip drop

It is like a giant bowl of ice cream
with sprinkles being dropped on top

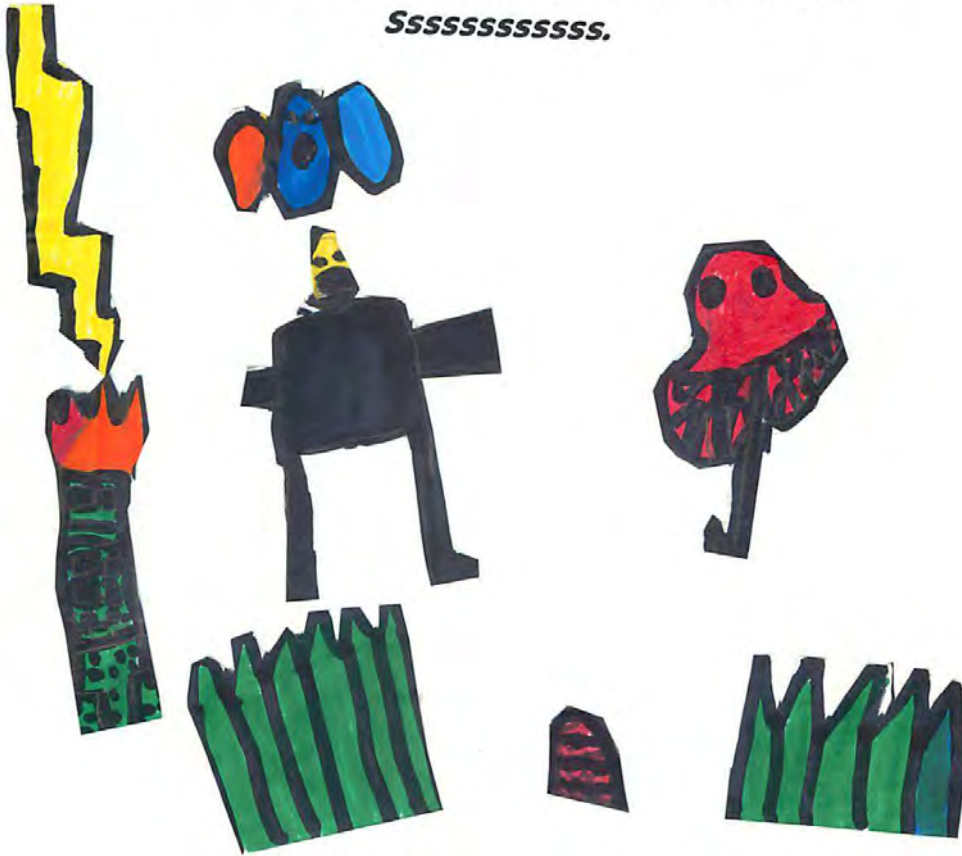
Pitter patter, pitter patter

It sounds like lots of tears coming down at once

Splish, Splash

it smells like fresh cut grass, fresh as heaven.

Ssssssssssss.



Dancing Rain

By Noa

I like being outside in the rain
With the water pouring from the sky.

I like looking at the gray clouds

Watching the lightning

hearing the thunder strike.

And drops dance on my head – *Splash!*



Rain

By Desi

Rain. Pelting my nose
Rain. Coming down like a hose
Rain. Making the air cold.
Rain. Water so old.
Drinking cocoa,
The day is so-so
Thunder goes BAM!
Drops as big as ham.







Metaphor Poems

A combination of examining metaphors in poetry and examining themselves

For this section, students were asked to write what they would be as:

- * a favorite color*
- * an animal*
- * a type of weather*
- * a piece of clothing*
- * a piece of furniture*
- * a joy*
- * a type of food*



Zahara

Zahara is a bright pink, marbled with a touch of silver.

She's a papillon puppy with a cute little face smiling.








She's a sun on a hot day with streaks of yellow.

She's a sequin shirt shining in the bright, bright sun.

Zahara is a smooth marbled bench with blue and purple circles and pink stars.

She's a cute LOL doll sitting on the grass with a stuffy.

Zahara is warm spaghetti with red sauce and butter.



Ailo

Ailo is a bright blue cloud floating in the sky.

He's an octopus in the deep dark sea.



He's a blazing hot sun with blue clouds.

He's a cozy black sweater.

He's a green rocking chair in his house.

He is a green plane flying in the sky.

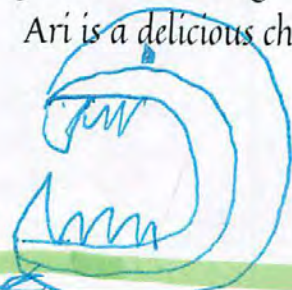
He is a mint ice cream on a holiday.



Ari

Ari is red like blood in a body.
 He's a vicious lion in the Sahara.
 He's a stormy day with thunder.
 He's a blue t-shirt with red streaks.
 He's a silver couch.

He's a toy Corvette driving at the speed of light.
 Ari is a delicious cheese pizza.



Lilah

Lilah is black like a starry night sky.
 She's a dolphin diving through the sea.
 She's as sunny Saturday at the beach.
 She's a red velvet dress with hints of yellow flames.
 She's a really soft bed shaped like a cloud.
 She's a crystal shining through the window,
 Lilah's a sushi with a hint of soy sauce.



Metaphor Poem

by Ayla

Ayla is rainbow purple in a rainbow.
She is a fuzzy fluff bunny with a golden brown tail and spots.
She's a sunny blue sky with a sparkling sun.
She's a dress with zig zag stripes of purple.
She's a cozy couch with fluffy pillows.
She's a piano with clean, white keys.
Ayla is a fresh slice of sushi from a Japanese restaurant.



Bunny's-for-Living!!!!!!

Metaphor Poem

by Djumi

Djumi is lavender purple.
She's a cute little rabbit.
She's a hail and wind-filled snow storm.
She's a dress with a trim of purple
and a skirt of blue
She is a cozy warm bed in the warmest house
She's a roller-skating fantasy who swirls and whirls all over town.
Djumi is delicious pancakes smeared with maple syrup!

Zzzzz

Zzzzz

Zzzzz

Zzzzz

Zzzzz

Zzzzz

Zzzzz



Sebastian



Sebastian is a blood red.
He's a poisonous black Mamba about to strike.
He's a tornado wrecking sites.
And aa shirt getting won while solving lives.
He's a soft couch.
He is a \$29,000 Pokemon card
And a burger floating through space.



Desi

Desi is electric green.

Desi is a knowledgeable octopus, smart and ready to learn anything.

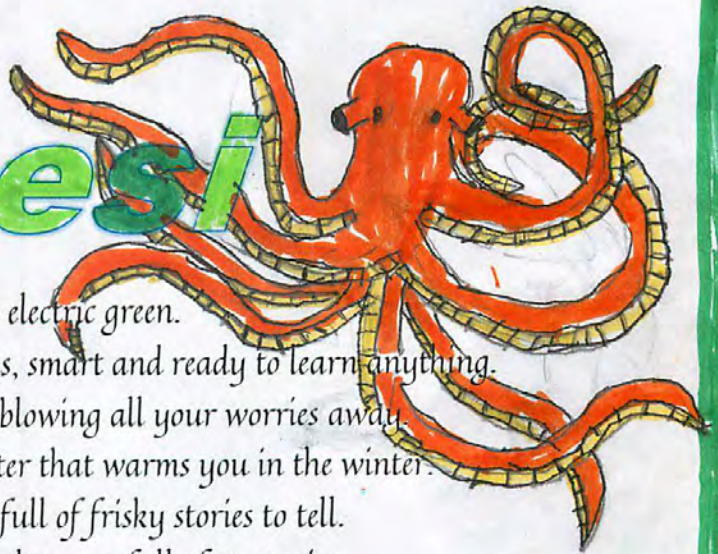
They are a windy day, blowing all your worries away.

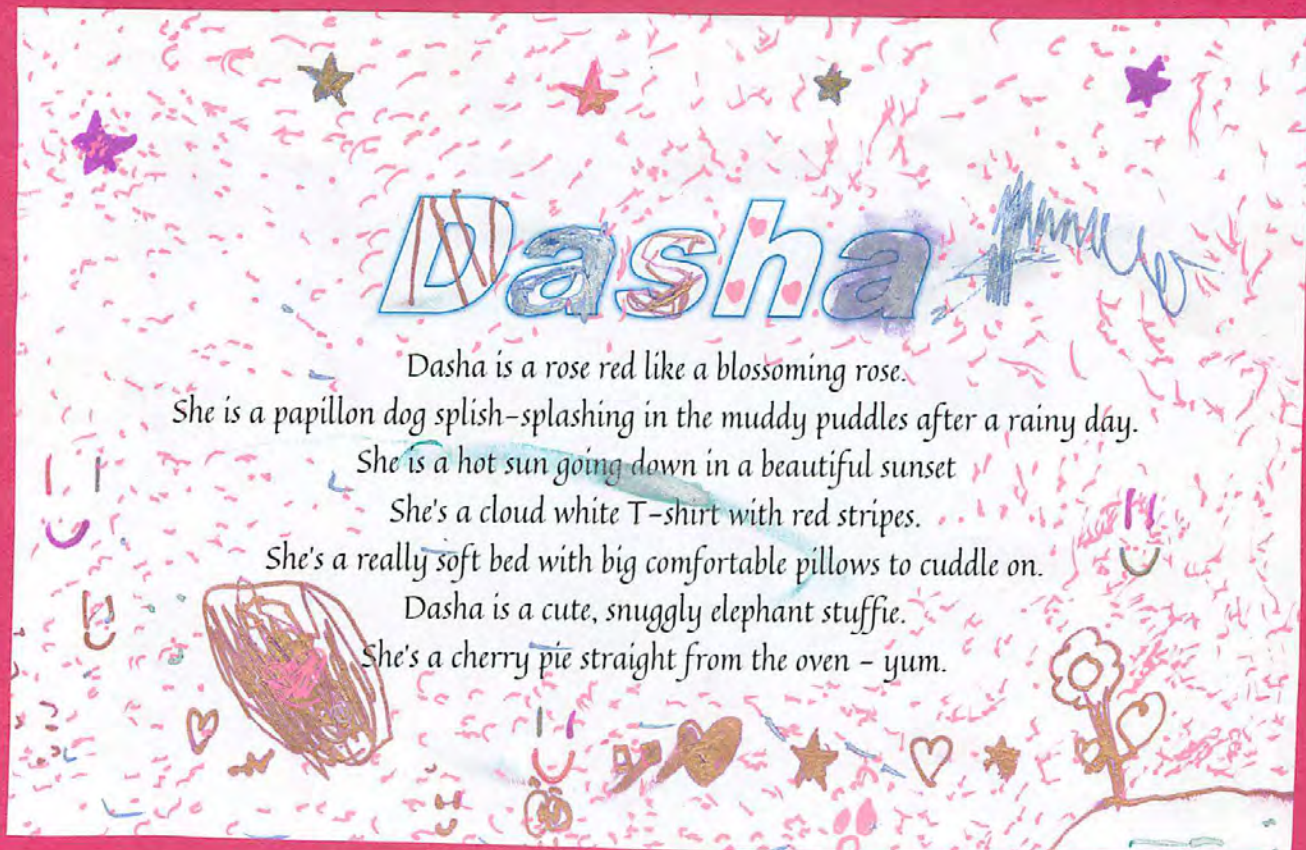
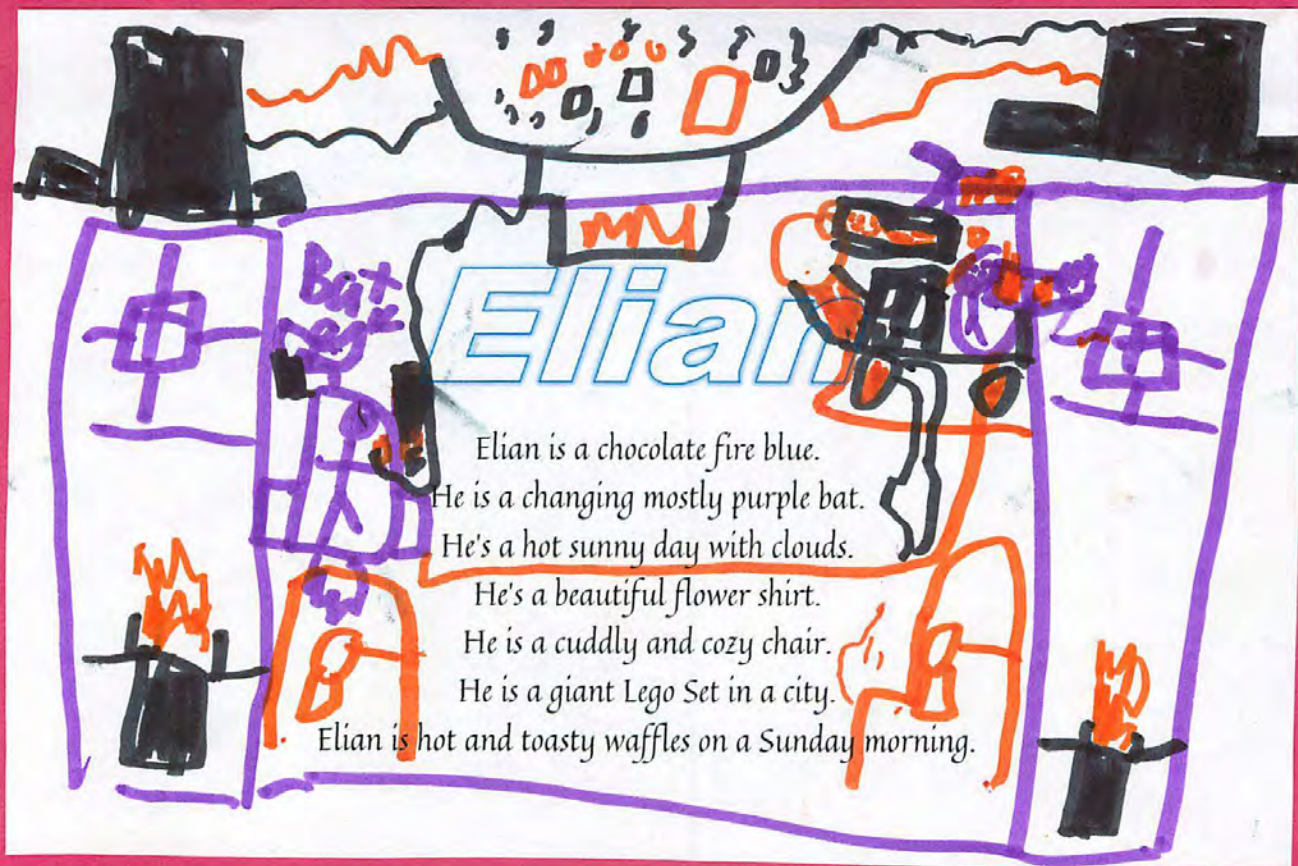
They're a satisfying sweater that warms you in the winter.

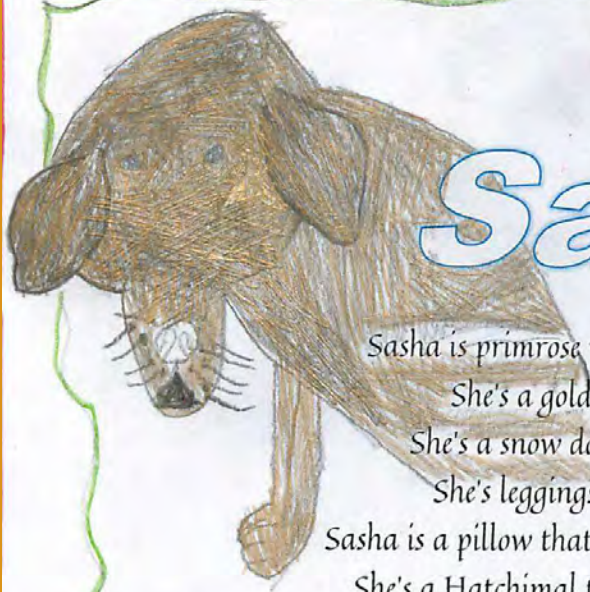
Desi is a bookshelf full of frisky stories to tell.

They are a Monopoly game full of strategies.

Desi is a sweet and tangy strawberry on a hot summer Saturday.







Sasha



Sasha is primrose with a dash of violet and sky blue.
She's a golden retriever with velvet fur.
She's a snow day with snowflakes like flowers
She's leggings with forest green all over it.
Sasha is a pillow that is red and orange, and it is very soft.
She's a Hatchimal that is ocean blue with silver wings.
She's brownie with mint frosting and tastes like yumminess.



Miles

Miles is a bright yellow,
He's a fast cheetah.
Miles is a sunny day.
He's a trusty t-shirt.
Miles is a warm bed
And he's a flying drone.
Miles is yummy, buttery pasta!



Metaphor Poem

by Elijah

Elijah is dark, dark black.
He's a cute Corgi dog, blond and white.
He is a sunny day with a lot of sun!
He's a sweater, the kind you wear in midwinter.
He's a cozy, gray sofa.
He's a cuddly fox stuffie.
Elijah is yummy macaroni and cheese, with too much cheese!



Metaphor Poem

by River

River is the sparkling gold on a fountain.
He is a husky camouflaged in the snow.
He is wind flying a paper airplane.
He is a space black tee shirt.
He's a chair, glittering in the sunlight.
He's a green iPad, playing Minecraft.
River is yummy lasagne that his dad made!



Parker

Parker is a neon pink like a daisy

She's a golden brown Pomeranian dog

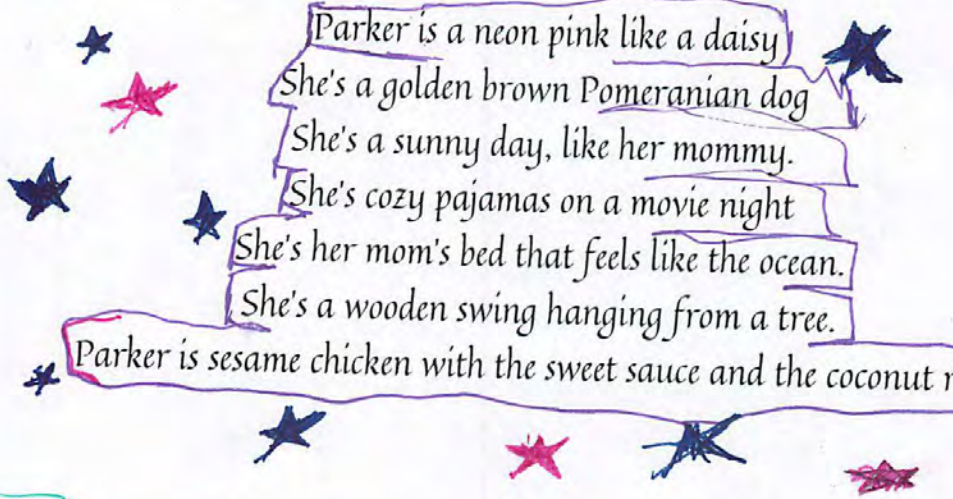
She's a sunny day, like her mommy.

She's cozy pajamas on a movie night

She's her mom's bed that feels like the ocean.

She's a wooden swing hanging from a tree.

Parker is sesame chicken with the sweet sauce and the coconut rice!



Koko

Koko is lavender purple with streaks of pink.

She's a happy fuzzy puppy, snuggly and sweet.

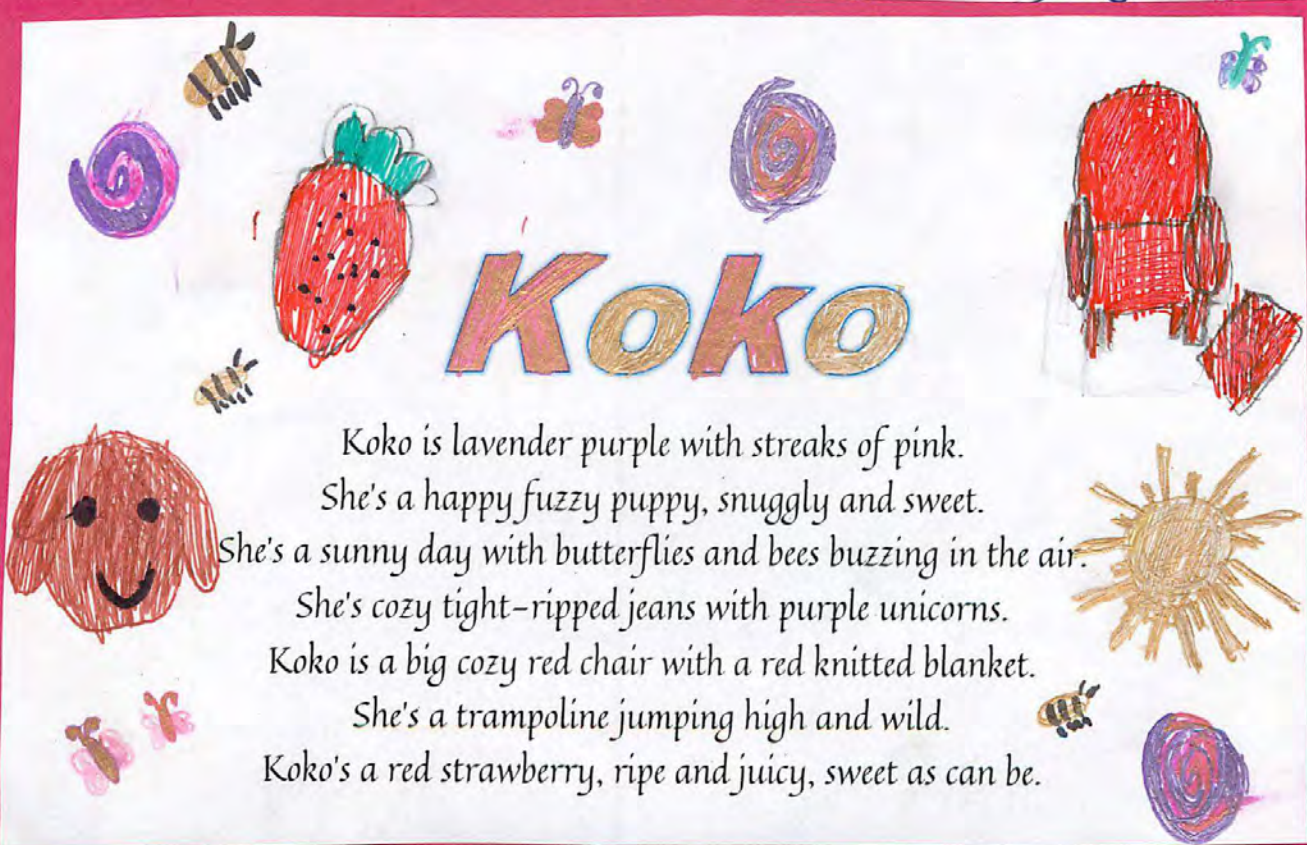
She's a sunny day with butterflies and bees buzzing in the air.

She's cozy tight-ripped jeans with purple unicorns.

Koko is a big cozy red chair with a red knitted blanket.

She's a trampoline jumping high and wild.

Koko's a red strawberry, ripe and juicy, sweet as can be.





Metaphor Poem

by Hannah

Hannah is yellow, as bright as the sun.

She's a black dog, napping in the sun.

She's a bright, sunny day.

She's a pair of soft blue pajamas.

She's a soft, white and yellow, furry lounger.

She's a fun whale-shaped puzzle of the ocean.

Hannah is a milk white creamy delicious

cream cheese spread on crackers!



Metaphor Poem

by Kenzi

Kenzi is lavender purple with tints of hot pink.

She is a speedy cheetah, zooming across the safari in Africa.

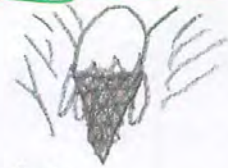
She is a clear night sky with silver, shimmering, stars.

She is an ocean blue cold sleeve dress at a party.

She is a soft, cushiony sofa that's ready to relax.

She is a pair of roller skates ready to roll.

Kenzi is fresh, creamy ice cream on a hot summer day.



Metaphor Poem

by Owen

Owen is a blast of sky blue.
He's a flaming Chimera rising from a volcano.
He's a sunny summer sun with touches of happy kittens.
He's a rainbow cat t-shirt with a pinch of blue.
He's a fluffy gold bed right out of the store.
He's a sparkling rock collection and
Owen is Asha Noodles steaming from the pot.

Metaphor Poem

by Manali

Manali is dark purple maroon with streaks of white.
She's a cute kitten, curled up in a box.
She's a rainy day, clear and clean, with an ice blue sky.
Manali is flowing pants fluttering in the wind.
She's a fluffy chair, as fluffy as her dog.
She's a cute stuffy shaped like a bear.
Manali is a strawberry sundae with shipped cream
and cherry on top!



Metaphor Poem

by Hetta



Hetta is deep, dazzling purple, gleaming on a soft bed.
She's a cute hedgehog dancing on a violet stage.
She's a sparkling summer day with a gleaming lake
and a wonderful house

She's soft, warm, cozy, purple robe, hung up in a welcoming room.
She's a soft, warm, bright yellow chair, filled with soft pillows.
She's a soft, special white rat stuffie, snuggly and warm,
Sleeping calmly on a warm pillow.
Hetta is crunchy French fries sitting on a gleaming white plate,
waiting to be eaten!



Metaphor Poem

by Juniper

Juni is emerald green
She's a black and orange tiger.
She's a roaring hurricane.
She's an ice blue dress.
She's a cozy lounge chair with flowers on it.
She's an adventurous game of Wildcraft.
She's a stack of pancakes with plum jam!



Metaphor Poem

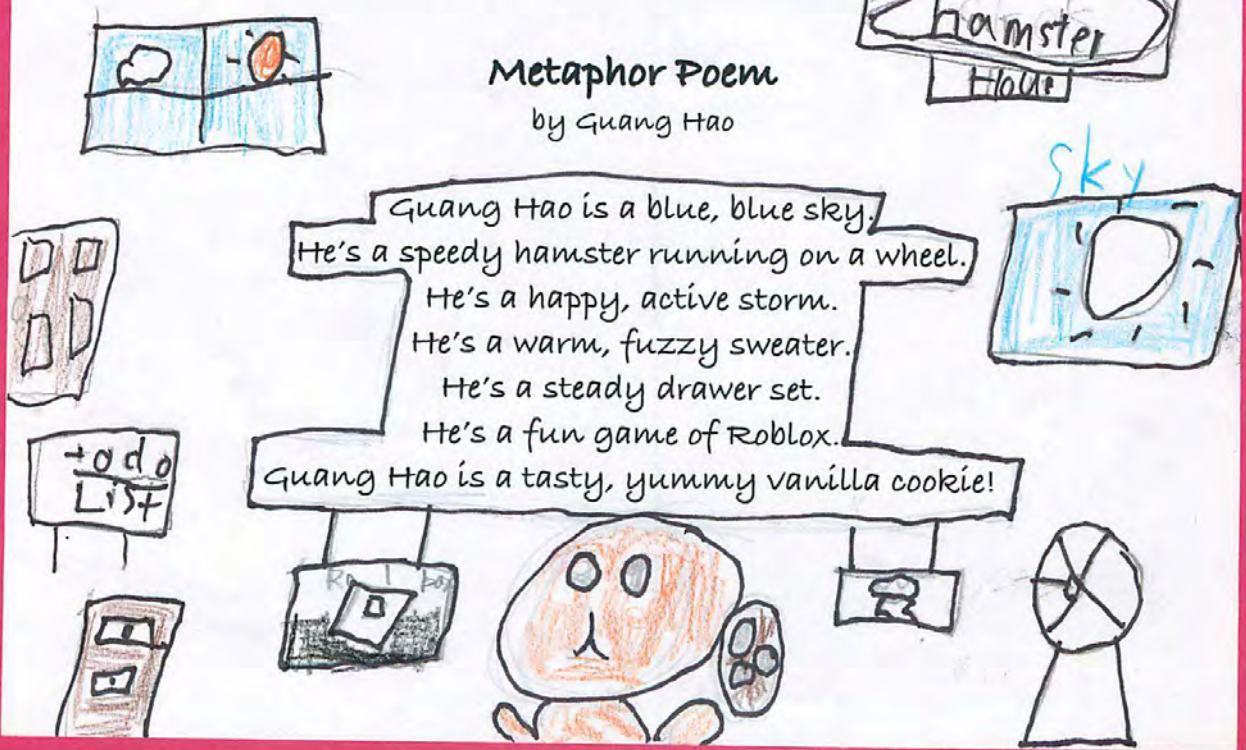
by Opal

Opal is sun bright orange sprinkles.
She's a squeaky little hamster eating a piece of corn.
She is ice-cold snow, one-foot deep in New York.
She's a sparkly green shirt with a dog on it.
Opal is a smooth and fuzzy couch with dark blue and light blue spots.
She is a Golden Retriever dog stuffie with the finest fur.
Opal is a pizza with pepperoni and orange cheddar cheese!

Metaphor Poem

by Quang Hao

Quang Hao is a blue, blue sky.
He's a speedy hamster running on a wheel.
He's a happy, active storm.
He's a warm, fuzzy sweater.
He's a steady drawer set.
He's a fun game of Roblox.
Quang Hao is a tasty, yummy vanilla cookie!





Metaphor Poem

by Isaiah



PIKa PIKa

Isaiah is sky blue on a fuzzy blanket.
 He's a warm kitten sitting on a porch drinking mil.
 He's a sunny day in the water at the beach in the spring.
 He's a new shirt with red and blue stripes and gold stars.
 He's a cozy bed with 1,000,000,000 books at nighttime.
 Isaiah is a new Picachu stuffie with a cozy cupcake.
 He is hot cocoa with 100 marshmallows and whipped cream!



Metaphor Poem

by Nico



Nico is lightning yellow with a dash of dark green.
 He's an extremely fast cheetah on a race track.
 He's a thunder and lightning storm about to strike!
 Nico is an orange and blue running shoe, ready to run.
 He's a white and green desk with holiday lights.
 He's a coast guard helicopter Lego set.
 He's a Nick's pepperoni pizza, fresh out of the oven!



Noa

Noa is a nice brown
They're a brown chihuahua
They're a rainy cold day
They're ripped jeans with jewels.

Noa is a gray bean bag
They're a gray book with a storm cloud on it and
they're some hot chocolate.



Metaphor Poem

by Jeremiah

Jeremiah is as purple as a coral reef.

He's a rainbow-colored turtle.

He's a storm crashing into a building.

He's a light blue sweater.

He's a blue fuzzy couch.

He's a big stuffie, stuffed with cotton.

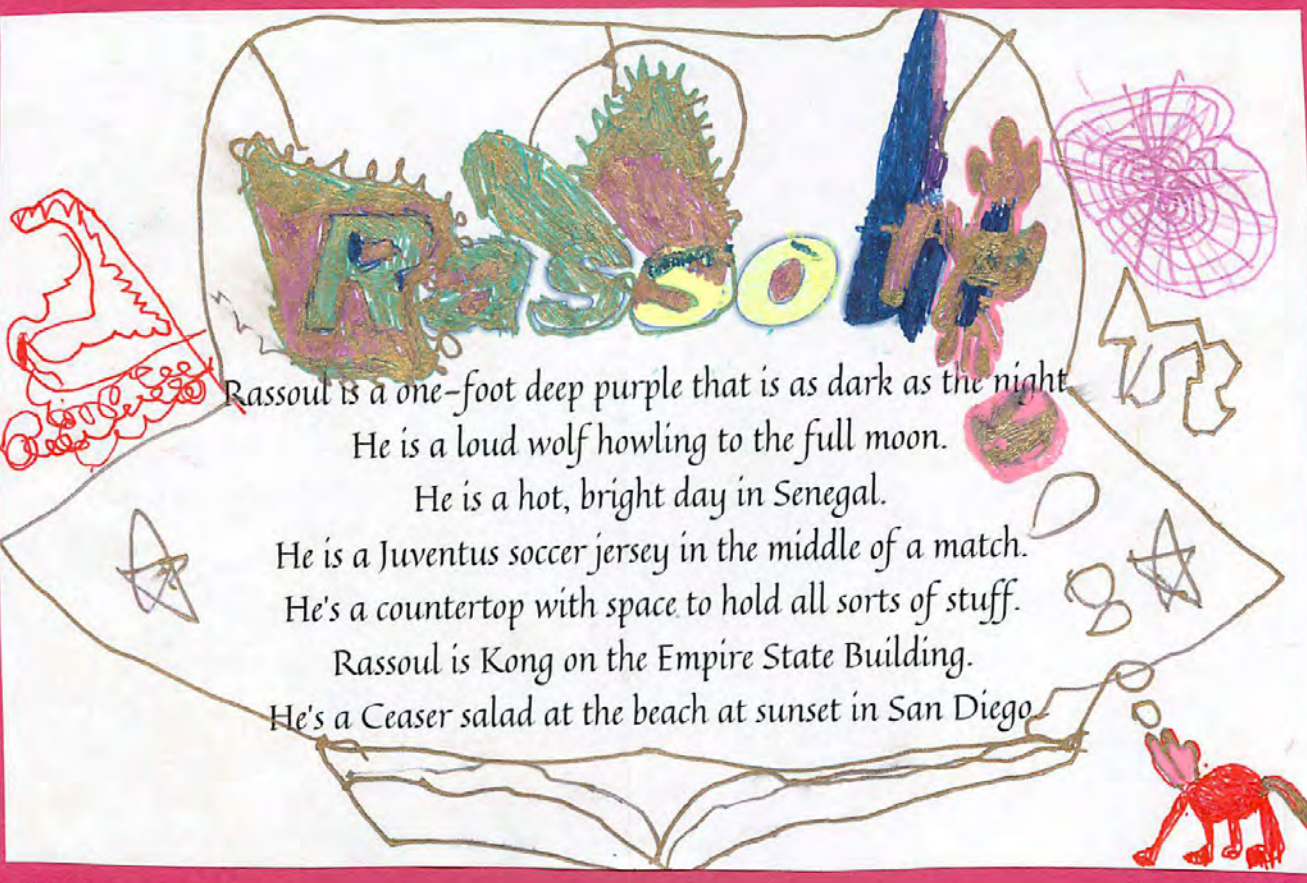
Jeremiah is a big, yummy, syrupy pancake!





Ivan

Ivan is a grass green as soft as a pillow.
He's a golden retriever pug as fast as lightning
He's is a soft snowy day.
He's jeans, as dark as black.
He's a very soft chair, as soft as 100 kittens.
He's a Hit Master 3D game.
He's a very tasty creamy Oreo.



Rassoul is a one-foot deep purple that is as dark as the night
He is a loud wolf howling to the full moon.
He is a hot, bright day in Senegal.
He is a Juventus soccer jersey in the middle of a match.
He's a countertop with space to hold all sorts of stuff.
Rassoul is Kong on the Empire State Building.
He's a Ceaser salad at the beach at sunset in San Diego.



Metaphor Poem

by Mabel

Mabel is a big bling of bright orange
She's a furry fox walking through a forest.
She's cool, wet rain on a calm day.
She's an icy blue tie-dye shirt.
She's a cozy bed with a warm blanket.
She's a rock collection with shiny rocks.
Mabel is juicy meat wrapped in a buttery tortilla!



Metaphor Poem

by Edwin

Edwin is sky blue with sparkling brightness.
He's a small, mini sheepadoodle having tons of fun in a huge dog park.
He is stormy lightning racing down!
He is a king's armor, ready for battle.
He's a cozy beanbag in the warm house, ready to rest in.
He's a videogame character from Minecraft, ready for anything!
Edwin is fresh itani ramen straight from the shop.



LOW


Lou is black like the midnight sky
She's a snow fox that's bright with love.

She's snowing with flakes that glow.
She's a black dress with golden crystals.


Lou is a purple chair that makes her look like a Queen.

She is an art set full of colorful paints.

Lou is special sushi with fish eggs on top!



Djuna

Djuna is a bright rose-pink 
She's a cute little shih tzu running around










She's a bright sun shining.

She's a purple headband.

She's bed pillows.

She's a little LOL doll

Djuna is a great-tasting sushi.



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Haiku and Watercolor

Haiku is a form of poetry that originated in Japan. Haiku typically focuses on objects of nature. Poems are three lines long, with the first and last lines having five syllables, the middle line has seven.



Haiku Pattern

line one - 5 syllables

line two - 7 syllables

line three - 5 syllables

For Teacher Appreciation Week, we received a breathtaking bouquet of flowers from a student to brighten up our outdoor classrooms. We used this opportunity to teach the form of Haiku during Literacy time, as well as to review adjectives and descriptive imagery. After a mini-lesson on sketching and watercolor, the students eagerly picked out a flower from the bouquet that caught their eye and used it as a focal point for this project. The culmination of these activities resulted in what you'll see on the following pages - the integration of painting and poetry.





Rose

By Lilah

Pink and red petals
Memories of flowers
on my grandma's farm.



The Rose by Djumi
Beautiful delight
Reminds me of my garden
Hot pink, smells so good



The Purple Flower by Ayla

Like a soft pillow
Like a purple light bulb
purple lavender



Red- Orange Firework

By Ailo

Red-orange firework
So majestic in the sky
Look at it shimmer!



Wonderful Rose

By Zahara

Radiating love
Spreading joy throughout the world
A sparkling diamond.



The Purple Flower by River

Soft like a pillow
Fluffy like a cute stuffy
Purple fireworks



The Red Fireball by opal

Tall, red ball of flame
Fuzzy, sprinkled with orange
Shines pink and purple



And I Will Always

By Sebastian

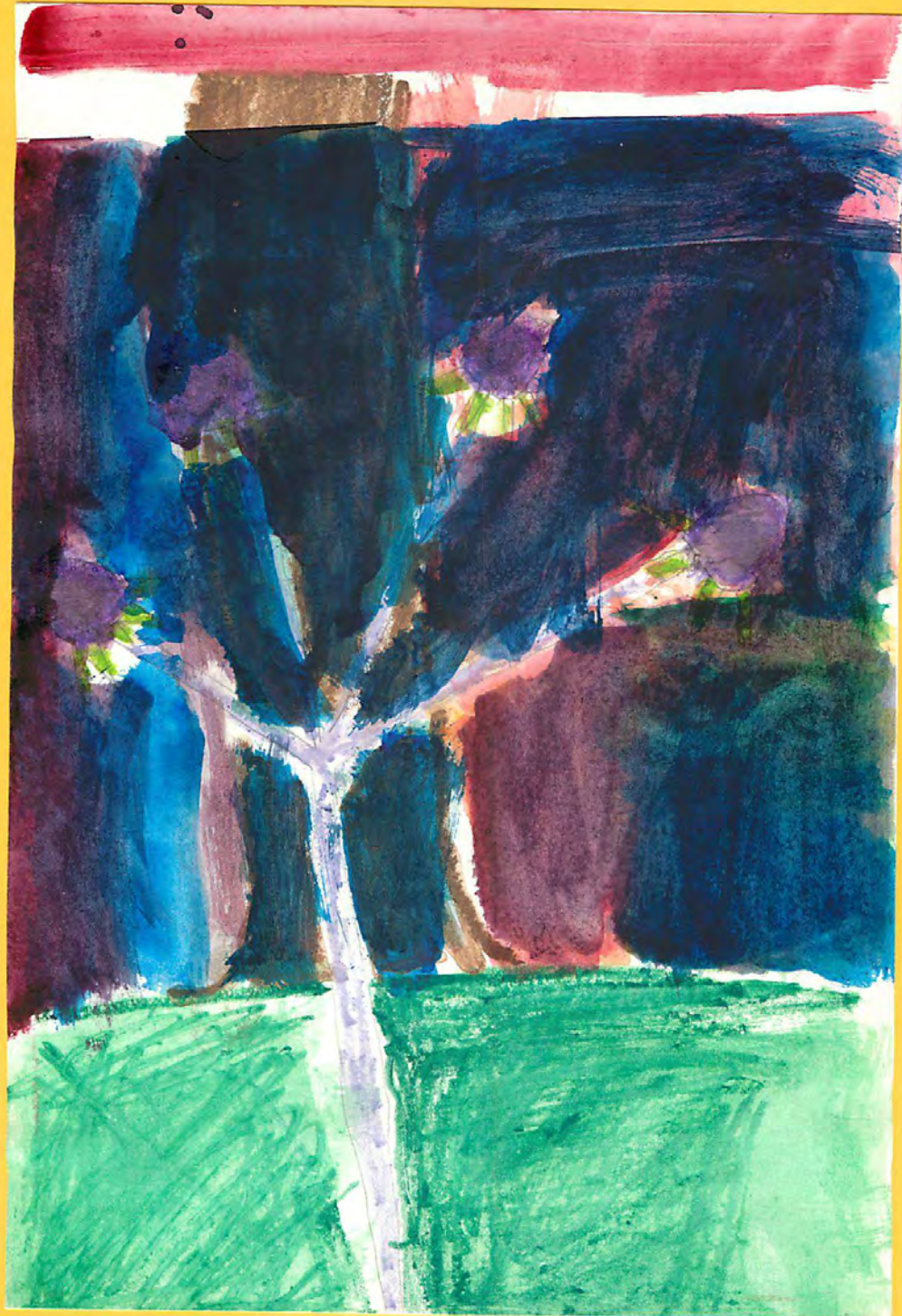
I love the fireworks -
They are so high in the sky;
They look beautiful.



Sea Urchin

By Noa

Purple-blue urchin
As spiky as a cactus
Dreaming of the sea.



The Violet Flower by Manali

Smells like vanilla

Looks like a tall raspberry

Purple like a blackberry



Yarrow by Nico

Pretty fern-like leaves
Deltas before it flowers
What a pretty sight



Rose Maze

By Miles

Mysterious maze
Walking through red-pink petals
Don't get lost inside



The Rose

By Lou

Love, hope, kind, mother.
Sweet kisses that my mom gives:
Honey sweetness, love



Pink Rose by Mabel

Beautiful hot pink
Ripples like pink ocean waves
Thorny, be careful!



Colorful Purple and Green Flower
by Kenzi

Smooth and slick like silk
Colorful stem, like rainbows
Spikey, pokey leaves



Purple Urchin

By Koko

Like a sea urchin
Lying on a bed of grass
Open as the sea.



Moon Sushi

By Djuna

Purplish-pink flower
Shaped like salmon nigiri
Laughing at the moon.



Purple Pokey Flower by Hetta

Looks like a gumbdrop
Tiny flowers on a gumbdrop
Half green, half purple



Yellow Yarrowland by Guang Hao

Yellow yarrow land
Land full of yellow flowers
Feels like yellow sun



Flower Haiku

By Ari

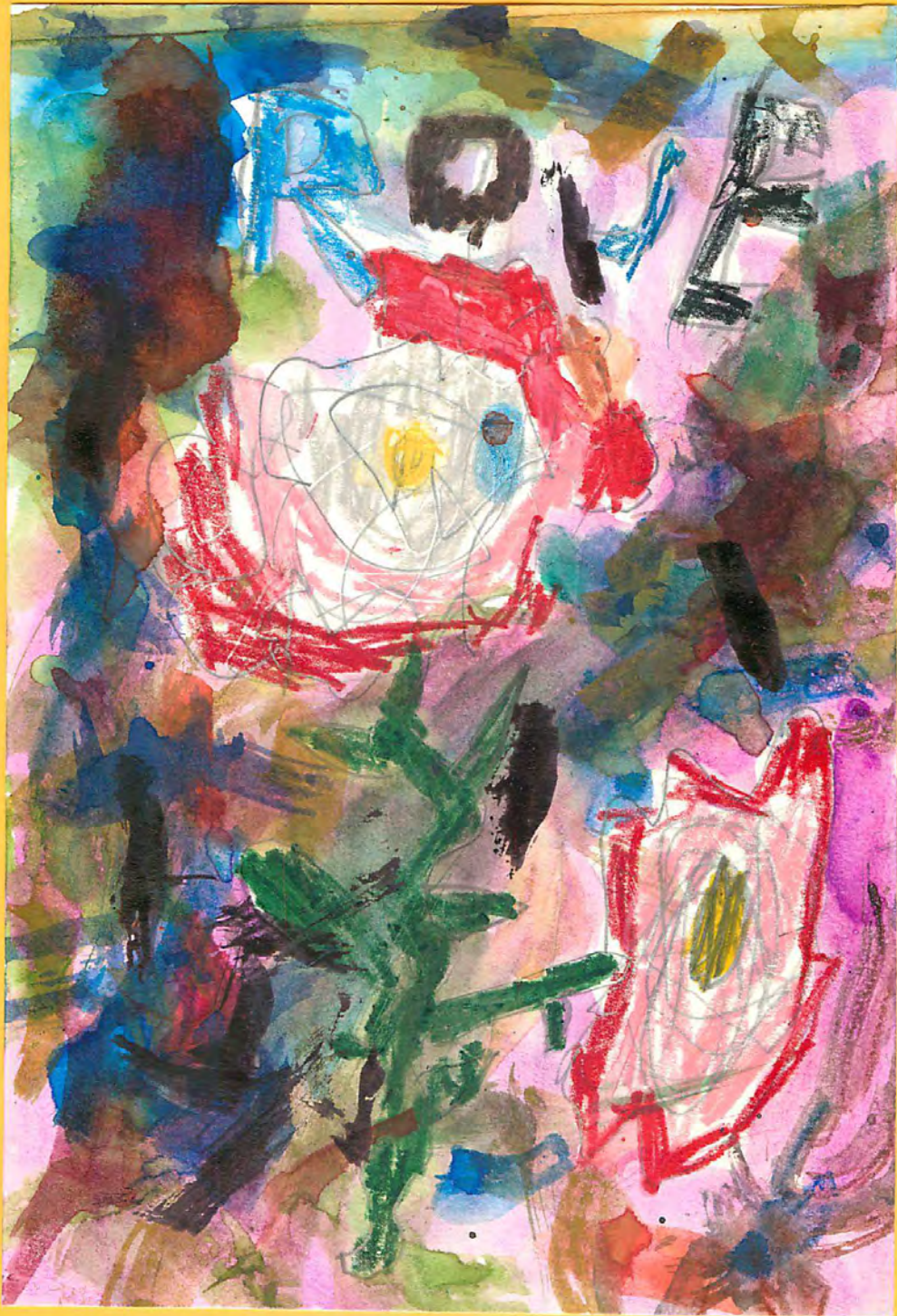
Bright pink sunny day
Bright pink like a flamingo
A bright strawberry.



Red Firework

By Elian

Like a blasting flame
Looks like coronavirus
Like a shooting star.



Pink Rose by Elijah

Blasting with bright pink
Smells like flowery shampoo
purple on the stem



The Soft Pokey Flower by Hannah

Like a volcano
Looks like a blue octopus
very pokey leaves



Sea Holly

By Dasha

Blue pool, calm and cool
A mysterious creature
Blue like the big sky.



The Big Red Firework

By Desi

Humongous Firework
A giant red explosion -
Boom! It bursts open.



The Bluish Flower by Juni

Purple spiky bulbs
The leaves look like bluish stars
Blue and thorny stems



The Peach Rose by Jeremiah

curls around like snakes
Ruffly, pink peach petals
Pink, green, and yellow



Red Fireworks

By Ivan

Red fireworks explode
A bursting flame; sparkling color
Exploding, is love.



Rose

By Parker

White and pink petals
Just like my Nana's roses
In her rose garden.



Red Rose by isaiah
gradient green red
reminds me of bright sunshine
smells like fresh water



Haiku Queen of Flowers by Edwin

Branches of power
Dark blue and purple power
Bursting purple fire



The Red Flower

By Rassoul

A bright strawberry
Big red and yellow petals
Smooth and beautiful.



The Wind Flower

By Sasha

Beautiful it is
A purple cactus flower
The wind blowing it.



Colors by owen

Leaves like a blanket
Look! Colors everywhere!
Looks like custard, mmm

The Red Wheelbarrow

by William Carlos Williams

so much depends
upon

a red wheel
barrow

glazed with rain
water

beside the white
chickens.





The following poems are fashioned after the poem, The Red Wheelbarrow, by William Carlos Williams



The Handwashing Station

by Nico

So much depends upon

the handwashing station

all black and clean

in front of the bathroom door



La Perro

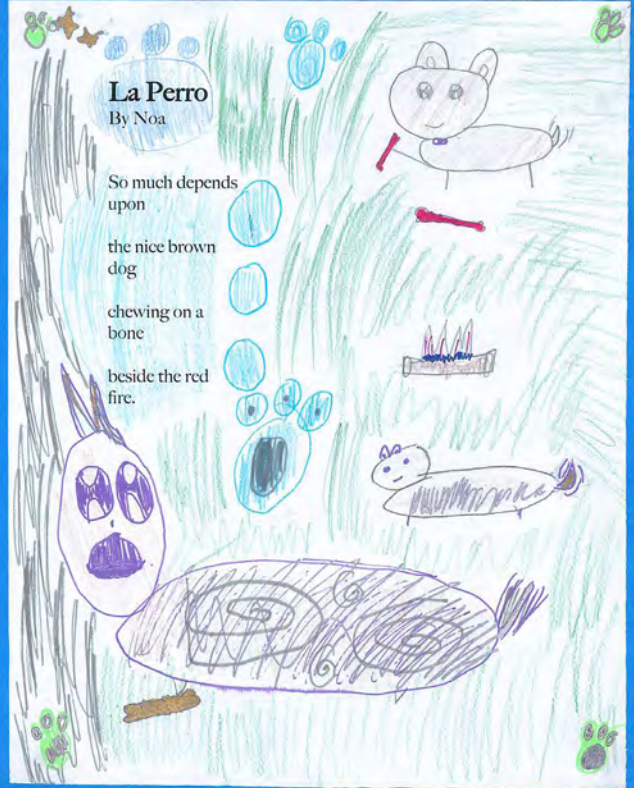
By Noa

So much depends upon

the nice brown dog

chewing on a bone

beside the red fire.



The Story

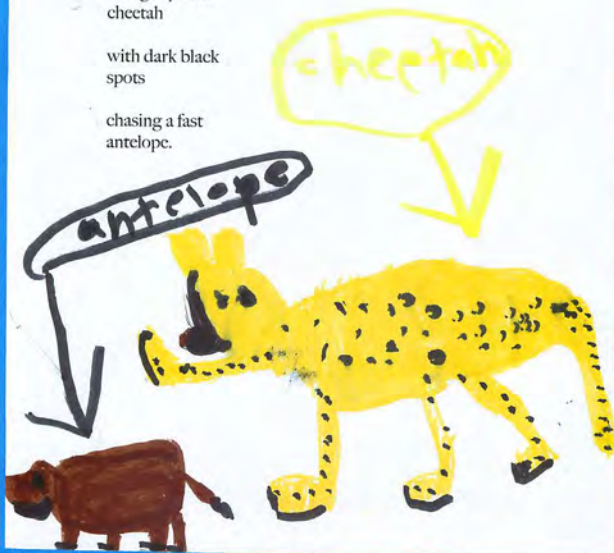
By Rassoul

So much depends upon

a bright yellow cheetah

with dark black spots

chasing a fast antelope.



A Pretty Flower

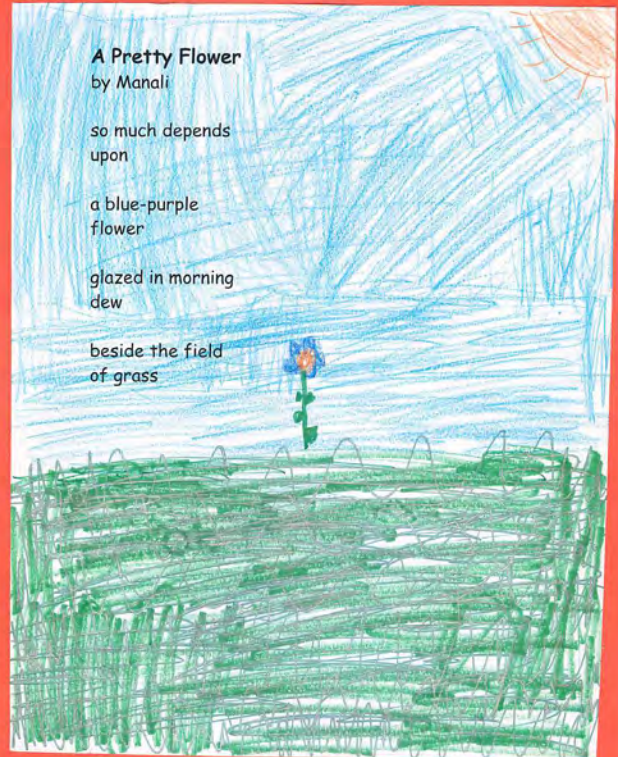
by Manali

so much depends upon

a blue-purple flower

glazed in morning dew

beside the field of grass




The Mermaid
by Djumi

So much depends
upon

a dazzling purple
mermaid

jeweled with diamond
necklaces

beside the green...
starfish!

I  Mermaid



Bright Heart

By Lou

So much depends
upon

a bright
heart

like the
sun

bursting with
love



Mystery Box

By Sebastian

So much depends
upon

a Pokemon mystery
box

unopened and sealed in the
package

waiting to be
sent.



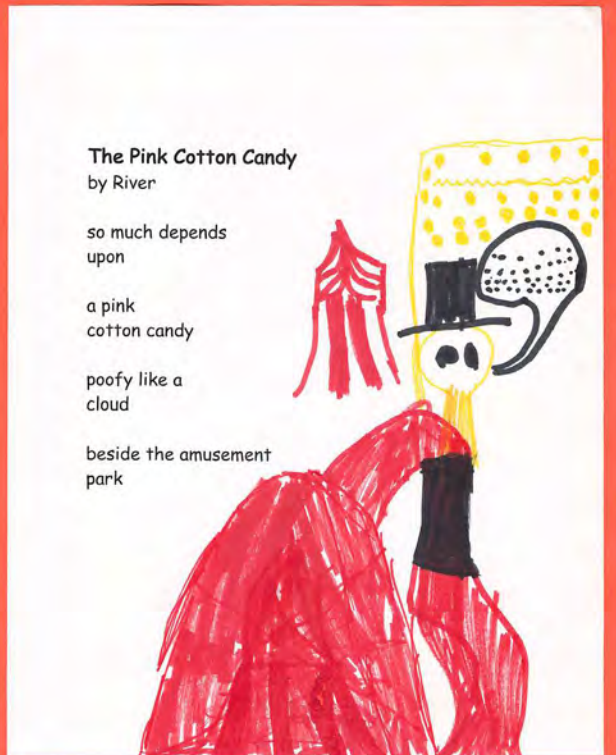
The Pink Cotton Candy
by River

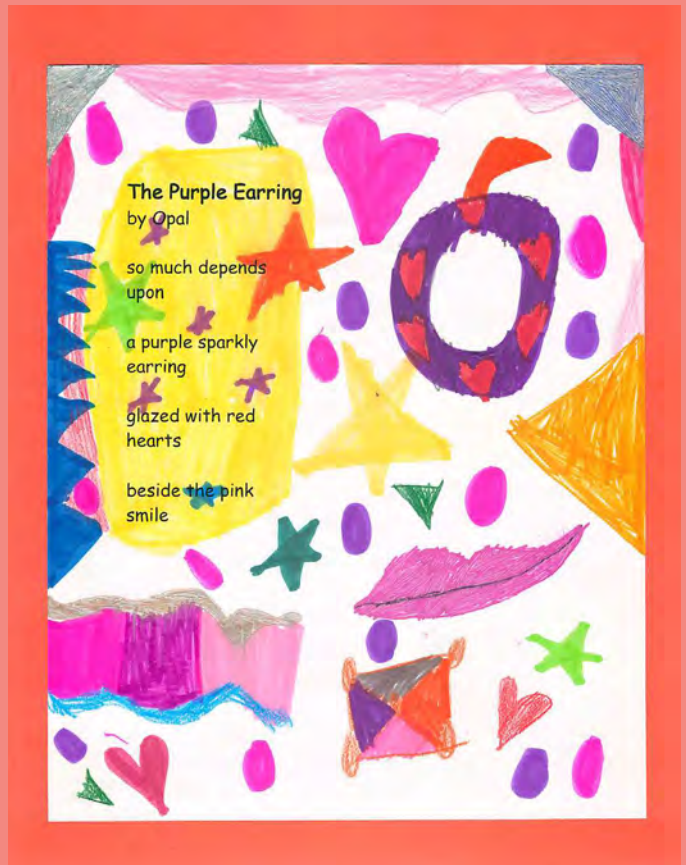
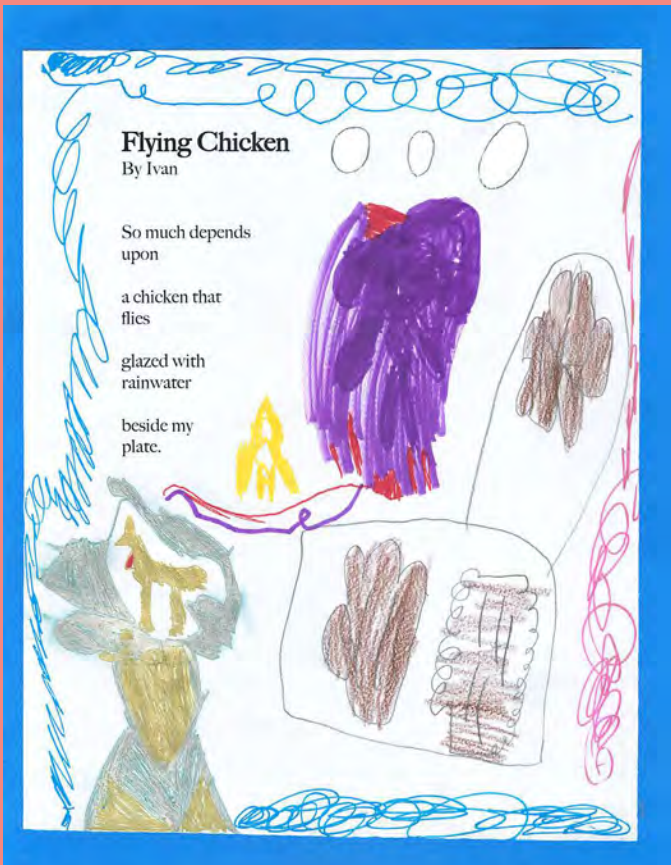
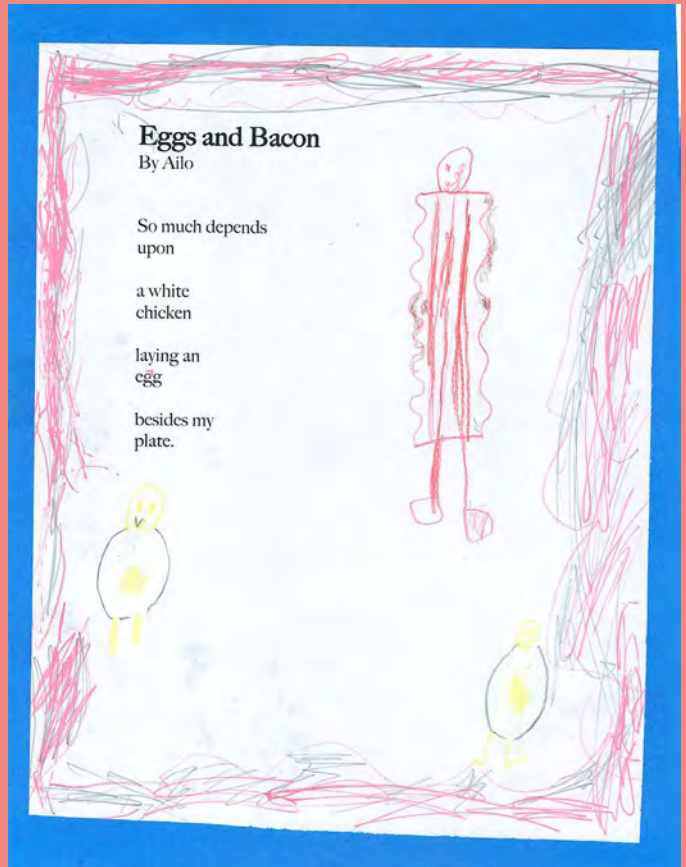
so much depends
upon

a pink
cotton candy

poofy like a
cloud

beside the amusement
park





A Great Dinner

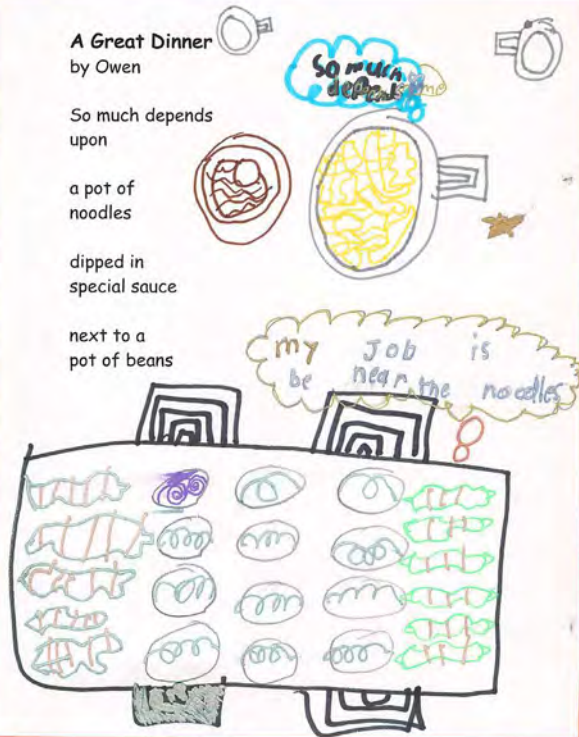
by Owen

So much depends upon

a pot of noodles

dipped in special sauce

next to a pot of beans



The Golden Orb

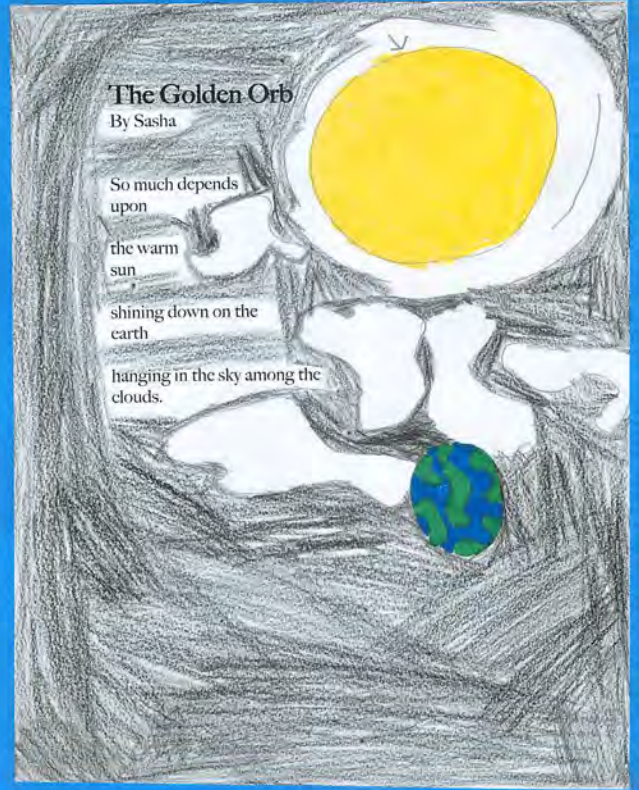
By Sasha

So much depends upon

the warm sun

shining down on the earth

hanging in the sky among the clouds.



Cup of Tea

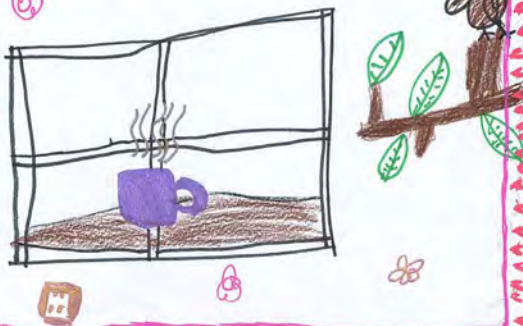
By Zahara

So much depends upon

a warm cup of tea

swirled with thick gooey honey

sitting on my bedroom window.



The Hot Cuppa Cocoa

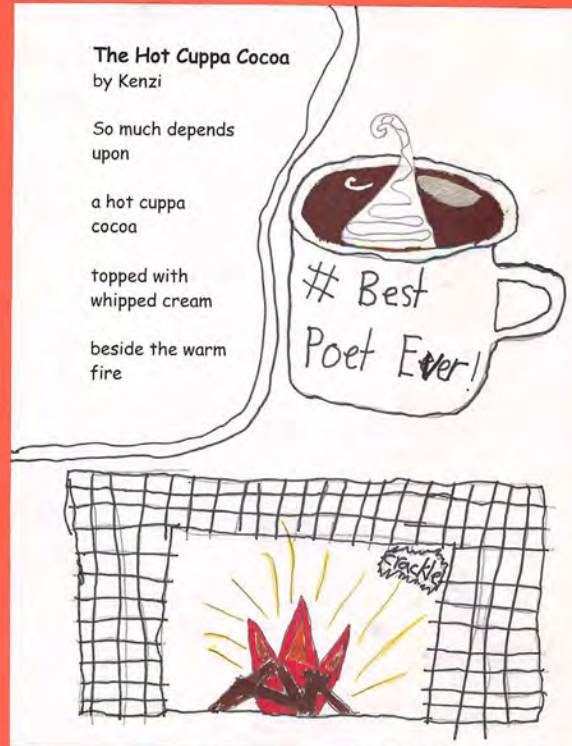
by Kenzi

So much depends upon

a hot cuppa cocoa

topped with whipped cream

beside the warm fire



A Purple Blanket
by Hetta

So much depends
upon

a small purple
blanket

spotted with
blue dots

beside the brown
bookshelf



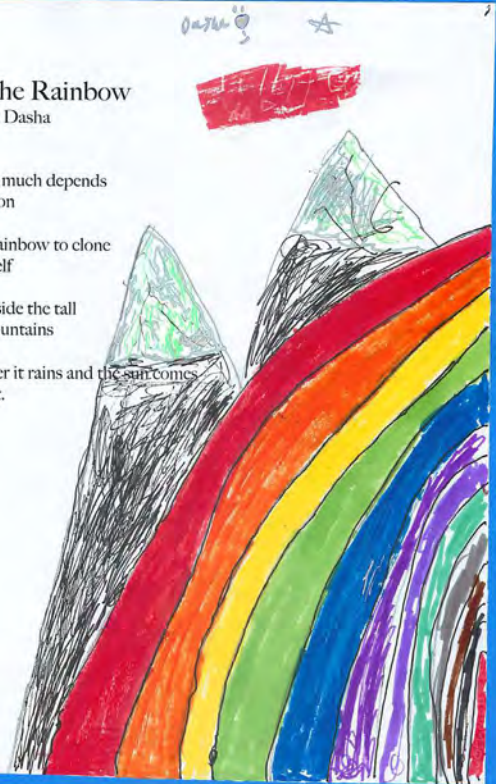
The Rainbow
By Dasha

So much depends
upon

a rainbow to clone
itself

beside the tall
mountains

after it rains and the sun comes
out.



Pink Scarf
By Parker

So much depends
upon

a nice pink
scarf

glazed with purple
tie-dye

beside the feeling of
warmth.



The Warm Blanket
by Juni

so much depends
upon

a warm
blanket

covered with
flowers

beside the
window



The Tiny Puppy
by Edwin

so much depends
upon

a tiny black
puppy

running with
amazing energy

beside the huge
trees



Cookie

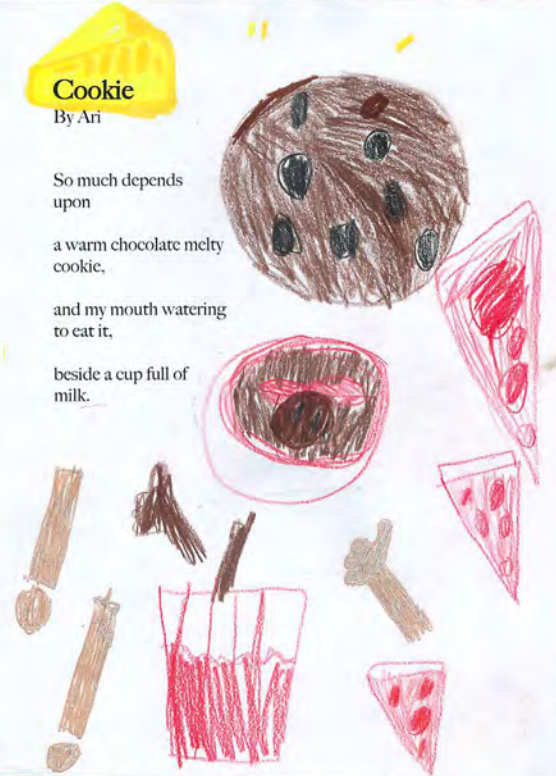
By Ari

So much depends
upon

a warm chocolate melty
cookie,

and my mouth watering
to eat it,

beside a cup full of
milk.



A Bright Rainbow

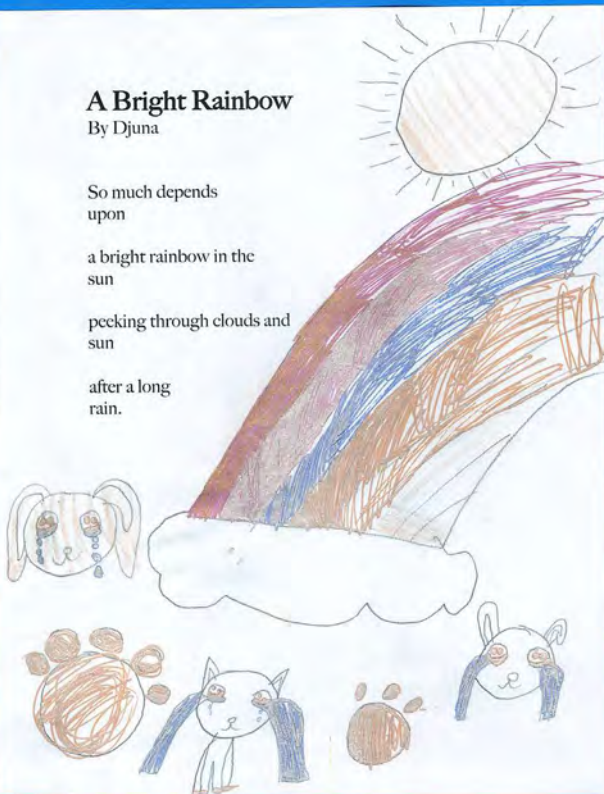
By Djuna

So much depends
upon

a bright rainbow in the
sun

peeking through clouds and
sun

after a long
rain.



The Lemon Cake

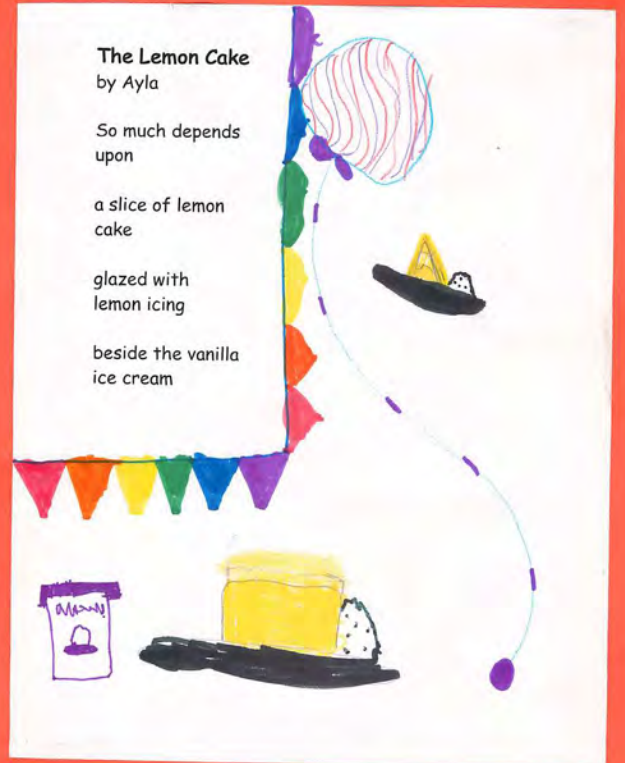
by Ayla

So much depends
upon

a slice of lemon
cake

glazed with
lemon icing

beside the vanilla
ice cream



The Colorful Earth
by Guang Hao

so much depends upon
a blue and green and colorful earth
used to support life
beside the hot sun



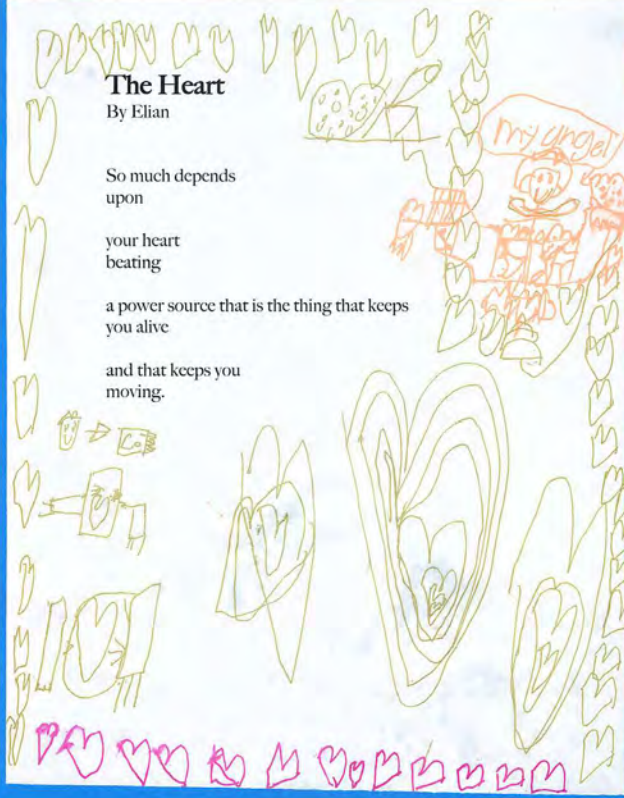
The Plump Baby Shark
By Desi

So much depends upon
a plump baby shark
eating a white chicken
beside a COVID mask, somewhere in the Carribean.



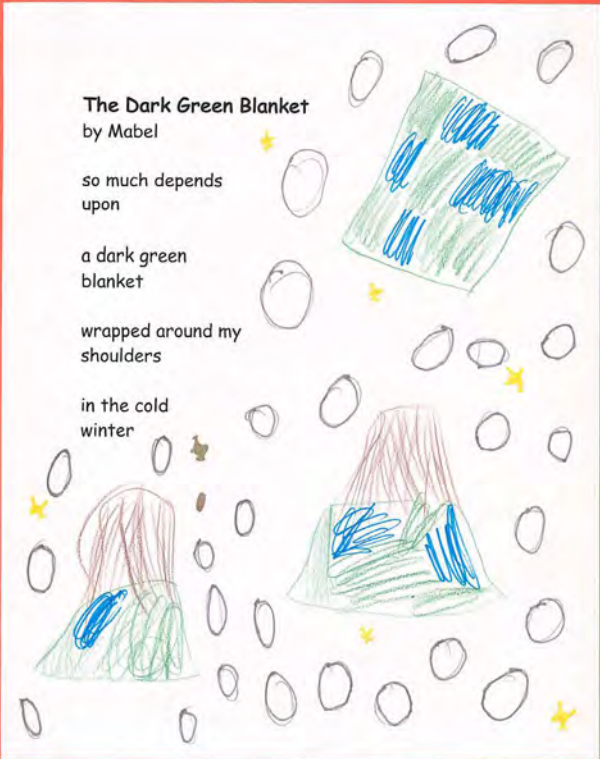
The Heart
By Elian

So much depends upon
your heart beating
a power source that is the thing that keeps you alive
and that keeps you moving.



The Dark Green Blanket
by Mabel

so much depends upon
a dark green blanket
wrapped around my shoulders
in the cold winter



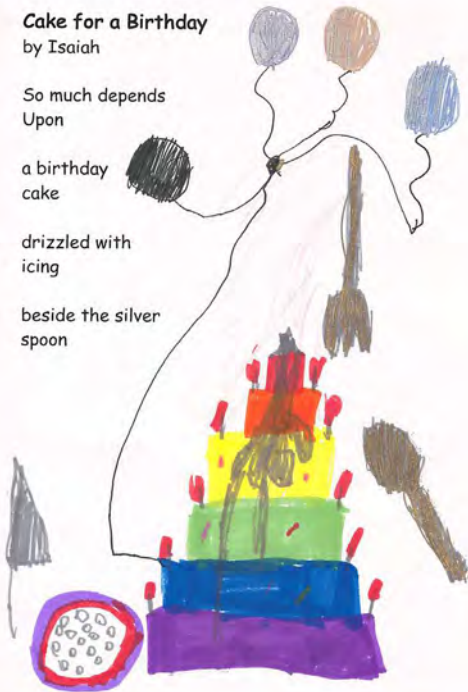
Cake for a Birthday
by Isaiah

So much depends
Upon

a birthday
cake

drizzled with
icing

beside the silver
spoon



The Warm Blanket

By Miles

So much depends
upon

a thick green
blanket

soaked with
love

on a warm
couch.



A Small Tiny Seed

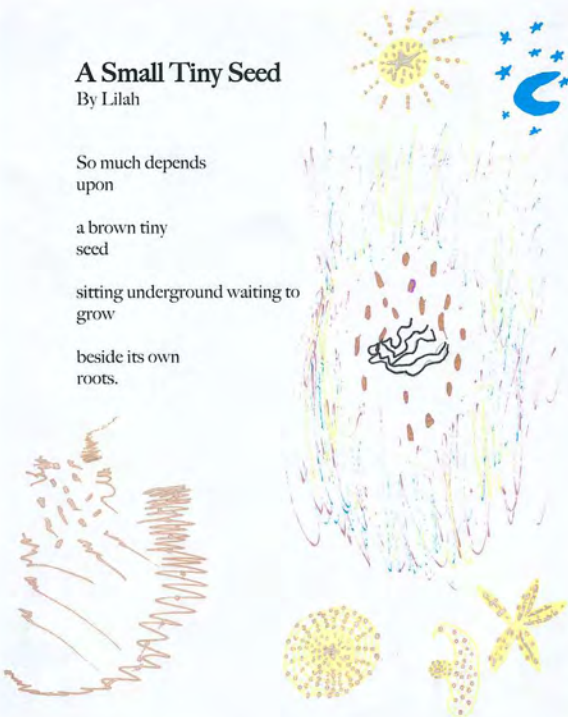
By Lilah

So much depends
upon

a brown tiny
seed

sitting underground waiting to
grow

beside its own
roots.



The Red Velvet Book

by Hannah

So much depends
upon

a red velvet
book

covered with
words

beside the rainbow
bookmark



The Ice Cream Cone

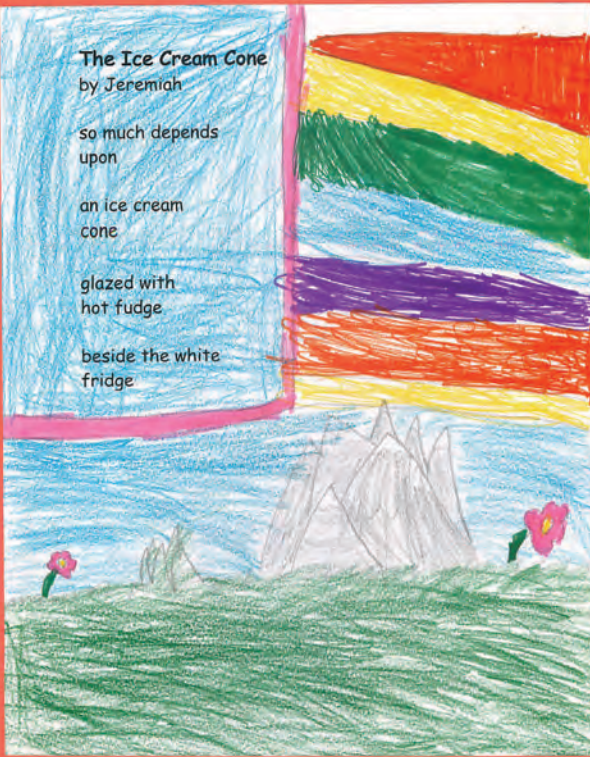
by Jeremiah

so much depends
upon

an ice cream
cone

glazed with
hot fudge

beside the white
fridge



Golden Waffle

By Koko

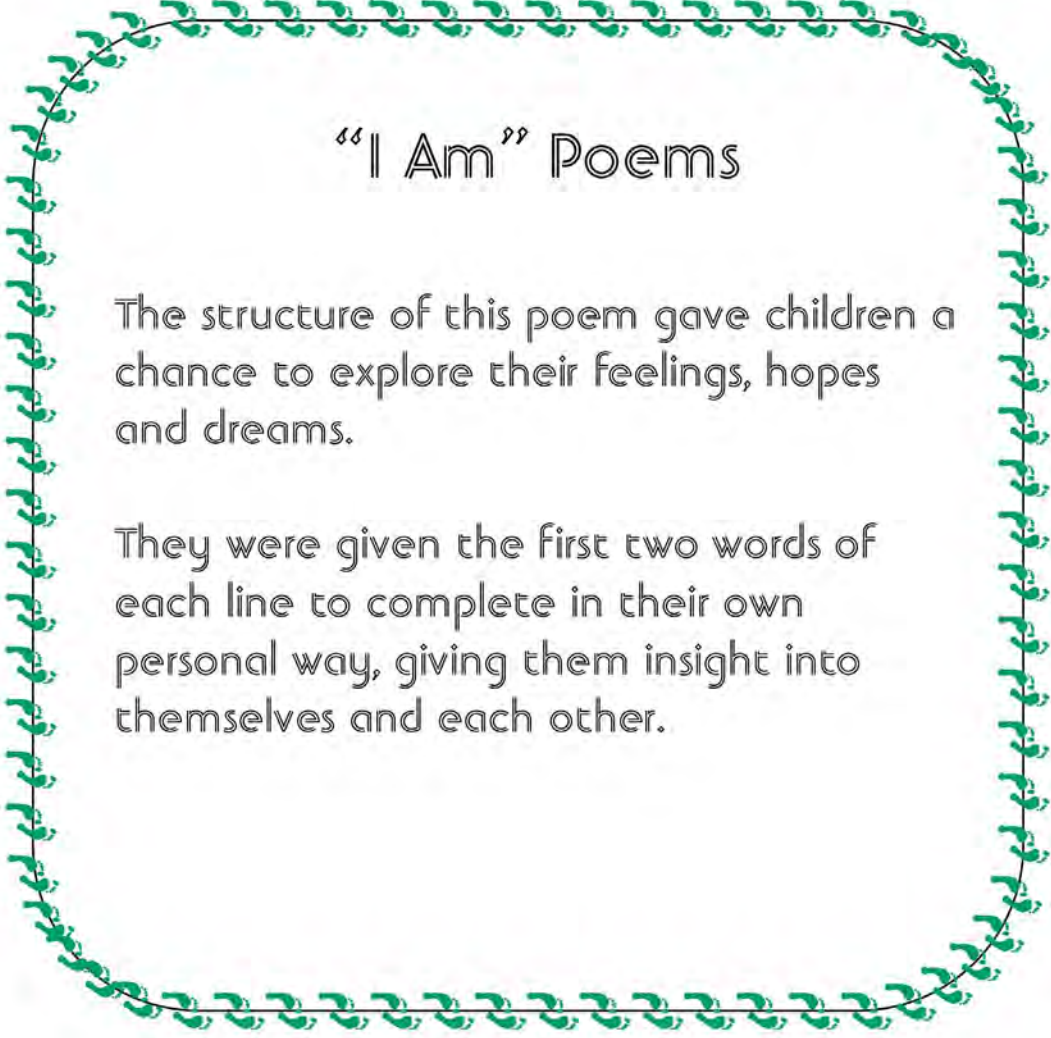
So much depends
upon

a golden crispy
waffle

covered in sweet syrup with
strawberries

Besides a cup of orange
juice.





“I Am” Poems

The structure of this poem gave children a chance to explore their feelings, hopes and dreams.

They were given the first two words of each line to complete in their own personal way, giving them insight into themselves and each other.



I Am
By opa

I am a reader, reading Sisters.
I wonder if magic is real.
I hear people yell at me.
I see rainbows in the sky
I want more ice cream after school and in summer.
I am a puppy chasing a ball.

I pretend I am a baker on the Great British Baking show.
I feel natural in math.
I enjoy being in nature.
I like art, especially painting.
I respect people when they need space.
I am happy in the sun.

I understand when people are sad.
I say Hi when I see people.
I dream of getting a guinea pig.
I try flips on the monkey bars.
I hope farmers stop spraying pesticides.
I am nice to people.

I Am

By Ari

I am Ari

I wonder what team will win the game today?

I hear lions roaring.

I see soccer balls on the field.

I want 1,000,000 diamonds in real life.

I am Ari.

I pretend to be a pro soccer player.

I feel proud of myself.

I enjoy playing soccer with my friends.

I like Lamborghinis, Bugattis, Porsches

I respect ideas.

I am Ari.

I understand feelings when people are hurt.

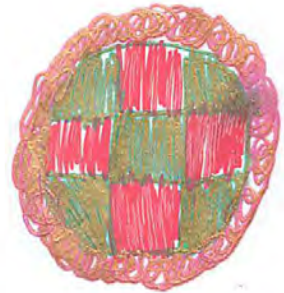
I say okay to ideas.

I dream of becoming a pro-Soccer player.

I try to help people when needed.

I hope COVID will go away.

I am Ari.



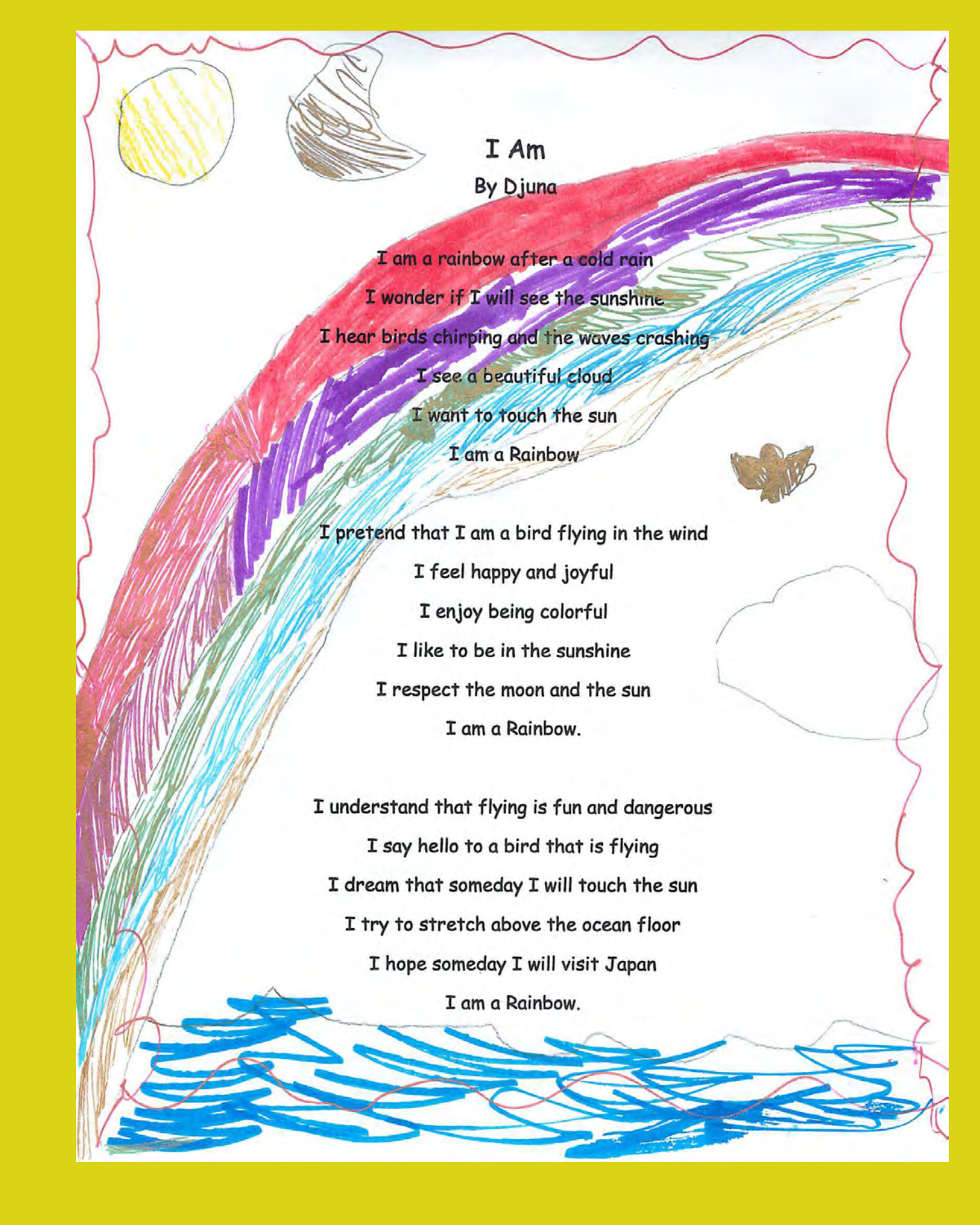


I Am
By Hannah

I am a black collie dog
I wonder if my owners will always be nice
I hear other barking dogs.
I see squirrels climbing trees.
I want all the dog treats in the world.
I am a black collie dog

I pretend I am a royal pet
I feel lucky when I get lots of dog treats.
I enjoy barking at squirrels.
I like lots of animals to play with
I respect the inventors of dog treats.
I am a black collie dog

I understand why squirrels run away from me.
I say "bark bark, yip yip, bark!"
I dream I live in a castle.
I try to catch squirrels.
I hope I always get dog treats
I am a black collie puppy



I Am
By Djuna

I am a rainbow after a cold rain
I wonder if I will see the sunshine
I hear birds chirping and the waves crashing
I see a beautiful cloud
I want to touch the sun
I am a Rainbow

I pretend that I am a bird flying in the wind
I feel happy and joyful
I enjoy being colorful
I like to be in the sunshine
I respect the moon and the sun
I am a Rainbow.

I understand that flying is fun and dangerous
I say hello to a bird that is flying
I dream that someday I will touch the sun
I try to stretch above the ocean floor
I hope someday I will visit Japan
I am a Rainbow.



I Am

By Mabel

I am Mother Earth
I wonder what it's like to be a human
I hear the stars shooting by
I see kids playing games.
I want to give people everything they need.
I am Mother Earth

I pretend to be the biggest planet ever.
I feel happy when the people are happy
I enjoy watching the stars fly around.
I like to help people.
I respect everything and everyone.
I am Mother Earth

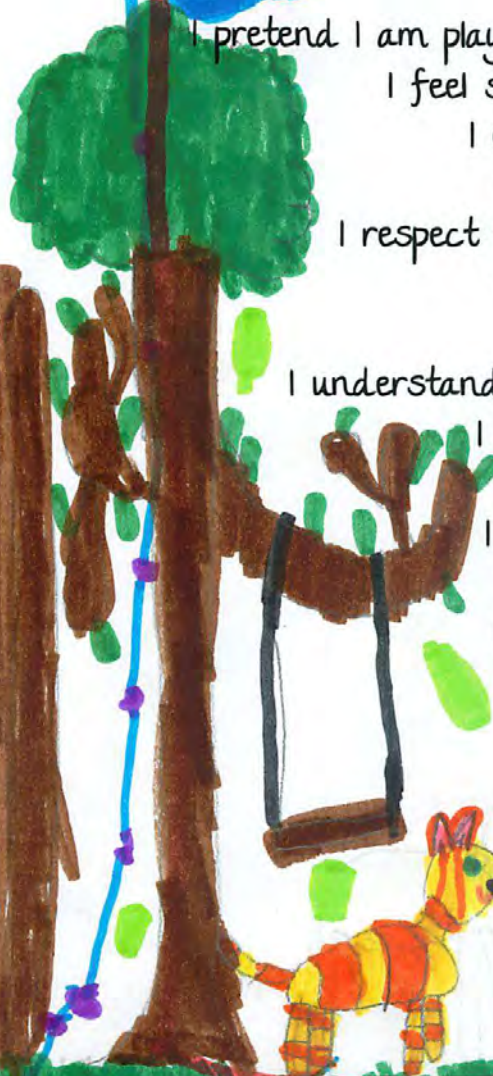
I understand that some people just need to kick me sometimes.
I say people should grow more plants.
I dream of being the queen of the universe.
I try to help everyone.
I hope farmers stop spraying pesticides because it hurts.
I am Mother Earth



I Am


By Ayla

I am a striped kitten
I wonder if I'll get a home.
I hear the cat's purring
I see my mom lying down
I want a new toy
I am a striped kitten



I pretend I am playing with a plastic ball with a bell inside.
I feel so happy that I start to purr.
I enjoy playing in the sun
I like the treats I get
I respect the other cats on the sidewalk.
I am a striped kitten

I understand mom's meows calling me for food.
I say meow at my sister.
I dream to be a cat
I try to climb the chair.
I hope to get a home.
I am a striped kitten



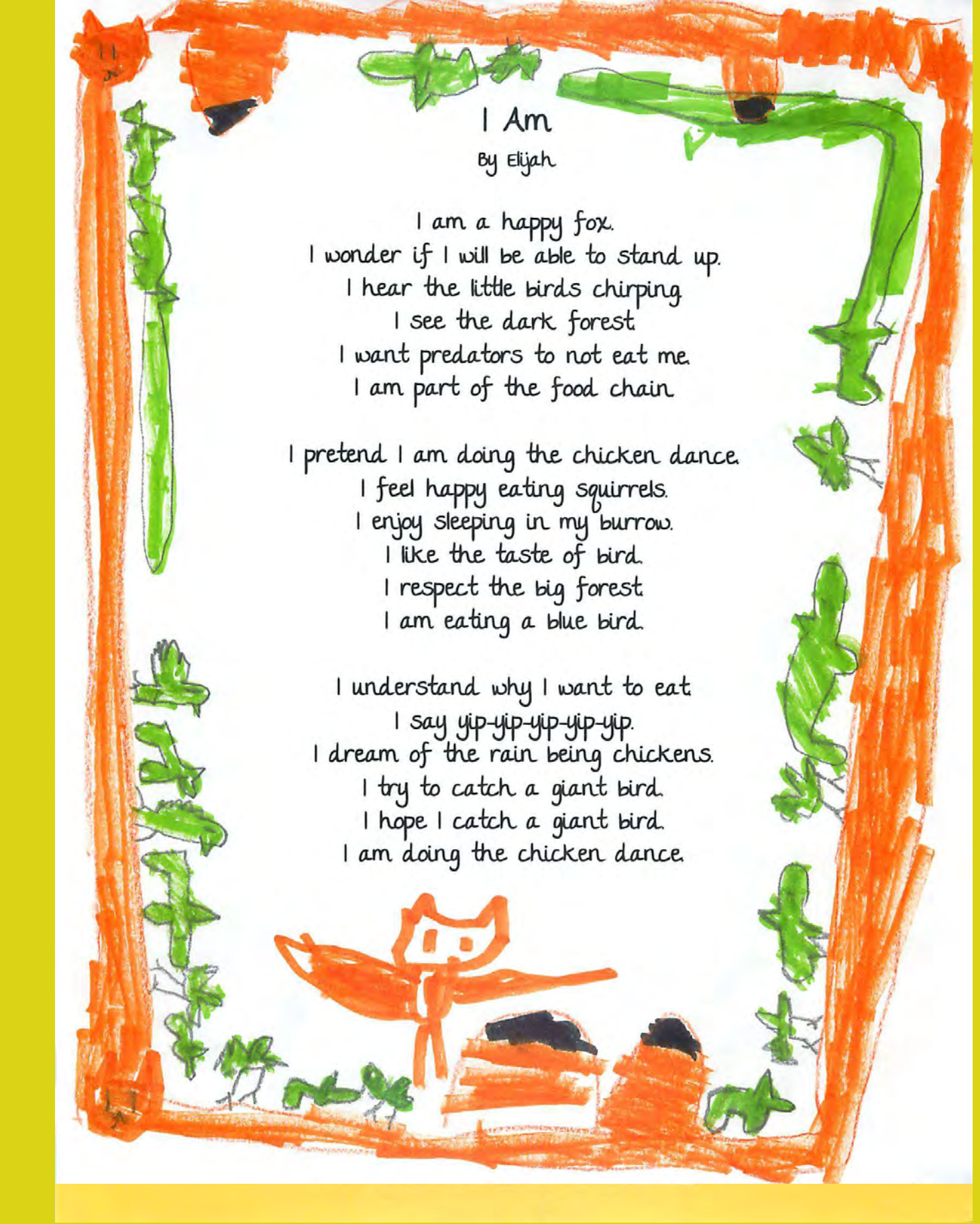


I Am
By Owen

I am a fire dragon
I wonder if knights will come fight me
I hear, "AAA!! A Dragon!"
I see splashing fish in the lake.
I want animals not being killed.
I am a protector

I pretend I am the dragon of the moon
I feel powerful
I enjoy being congratulated.
I like eating food.
I respect my community
I am a fire dragon

I understand I have a lot of responsibility
I say I will protect
I dream of becoming the god of dragons.
I try not to scare people
I hope we have better lives.
I am Owen the mighty fire dragon

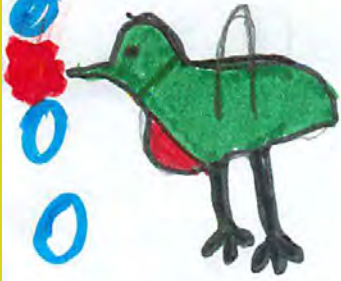


I Am
By Elijah

I am a happy fox.
I wonder if I will be able to stand up.
I hear the little birds chirping
I see the dark forest
I want predators to not eat me.
I am part of the food chain

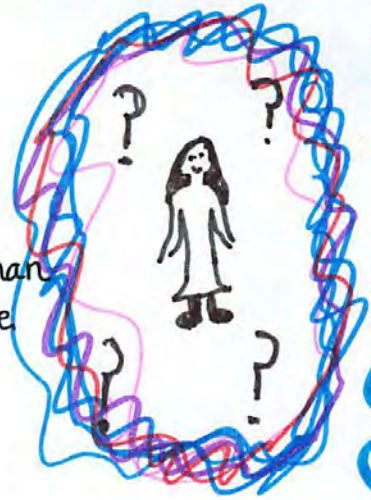
I pretend I am doing the chicken dance.
I feel happy eating squirrels.
I enjoy sleeping in my burrow.
I like the taste of bird.
I respect the big forest
I am eating a blue bird.

I understand why I want to eat.
I say yip-yip-yip-yip-yip.
I dream of the rain being chickens.
I try to catch a giant bird.
I hope I catch a giant bird.
I am doing the chicken dance.



I Am
By Juni

I am a colorful hummingbird.
I wonder what it's like to be human.
I hear bees buzzing around me.
I see roses on a bush.
I want to be bigger.
I am a colorful hummingbird.



I pretend I'm bigger.
I feel happy to be so fast.
I enjoy building my best.
I like beautiful sunsets.
I respect Mother Nature.
I am a colorful hummingbird.



I understand bigger birds want to eat me.
I say, "Please do not touch me!"
I dream of being an astrobird.
I hope that it does not rain.
I am a colorful hummingbird.





I Am

By Hetta

I am a small hedgehog
I wonder what it is like to be bigger.
I hear racoons playing
I see a fox sleeping
I want to be friends with all the animals in the forest
I am a small hedgehog

I pretend I can fly
I feel excited to go on adventures.
I enjoy taking walks in the woods.
I like playing with friends.
I respect all the animals in the forest
I am a small hedgehog

I understand why other animals stay away from me.
I say please don't touch I don't want to hurt you
I dream of exploring the world.
I try to climb a tree.
I hope there is nice weather.
I am a small hedgehog



I Am

By Kenzi

I am a vanilla frosting cupcake with rainbow sprinkles.

I wonder if someone might eat me.

I hear someone's tummy grumbling with hunger.

I see many other yummy desserts.

I want to be the most famous cupcake ever.

I am a coconut rice pudding

I pretend that I'm a block of jiggly ice.

I feel soft but very creamy.

I enjoy being eaten by someone hungry.

I like when I am being made.

I respect other desserts.

I am a delicious chocolate cake.

I understand if people don't like chocolate.

I say "eat me if you can!"

I dream someone will eat me whole.

I try every time to have frosting!

I hope that my dream will come true.

I am a dessert monster!

YUMMY!

DESSERT MONSTER!!!!!!





I Am

By Nico

I am Nico the hairy monster.
I wonder what is for dinner.
I hear everyone is trying to get me.
I see bushes everywhere.
I want a good dinner and dessert.
I am Nico the hairy as can be monster.

I pretend to play with bigfoot.
I feel hunted for decoration and mad about it.
I enjoy archery with moving targets.
I like french fries and hot dogs with ketchup.
I respect the creatures of the woods.
I am Nico the hairy monster.

I understand creatures of the woods are getting hunted.
I say, "Stop hunting my friends!"
I dream we can not be hunted.
I try to be nice.
I hope nature can be preserved.
I am Nico the hairy monster.

I Am

By Rassoul

I am a Charzard EX.
I wonder when I will get traded.
I hear the bag swing side to side.
I see all the Pokemons in the store.

I want to win a battle.

I am an ipad.

I pretend to fly in a game.
I feel myself getting swiped.
I enjoy playing Roblox and Minecraft.
I like that I can fly in games.
I respect that you have to buy Robux.
I am delicate and fragile.

I understand that I glitch sometimes.

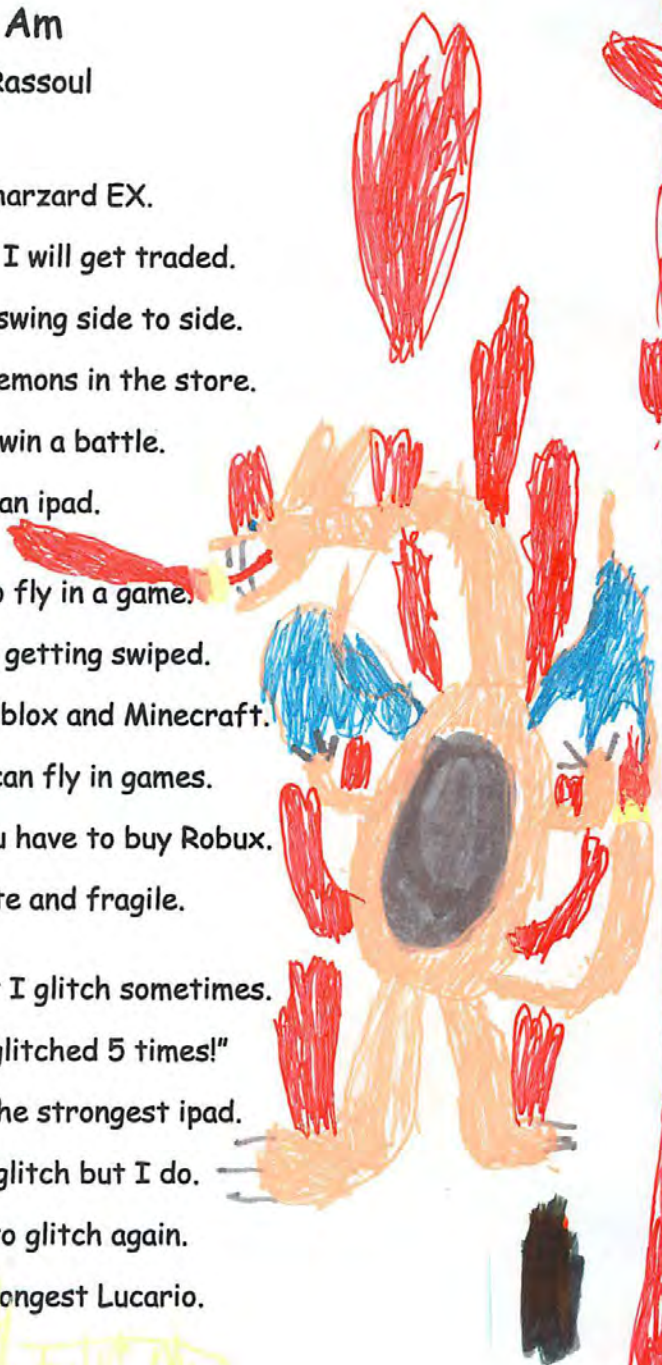
I say, "It has glitched 5 times!"

I dream to be the strongest ipad.

I try not to glitch but I do.

I hope not to glitch again.

I am the strongest Lucario.



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I Am
By Isaiah

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I am a soccer ball.



I wonder how high I will get kicked.

I hear when teams want to win.

I see kids running on the field.

I want to go in a goal.

I am a soccer ball.

R

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I pretend the world is a goal.

I feel happy for the winning team.

I enjoy being kicked down the field.

I like rushing to the goal.

I respect the players.

I am a soccer ball.



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I understand I get kicked into the street.

I say BE FAIR!

I dream to be in all the games.

I try to help out the teams.

I hope the games are a tie.

I am a soccer ball that scored!



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I Am
By Lilah

I am Lilah.

I wonder when the war in Palestine will end?

I hear bombs.

I see death.

I want peace.

I am Jewish.

I pretend there is peace.

I feel scared.

I enjoy spending time with my family.

I like my friends.

I respect Justice.

I am a Jew, and also a friend.

I understand the war won't end soon

I say, "Don't worry."


I dream of peace.

I try to stay calm.

I hope the war ends.

I am Lilah.





I Am
By Ivan

I am a tiger.

I wonder what my prey will be today?

I hear parrots

I see a human hunting me.

I want to sleep.

I am alone.

I pretend to battle.

I feel good to be in the jungle.

I enjoy killing deer.

I like meat.

I respect my home.

I am a human.

I understand life.

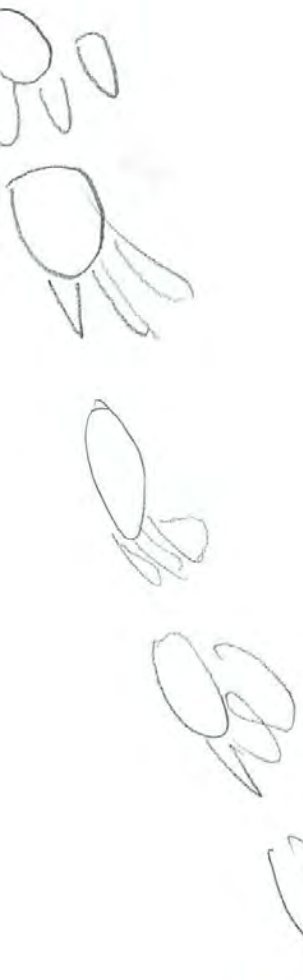
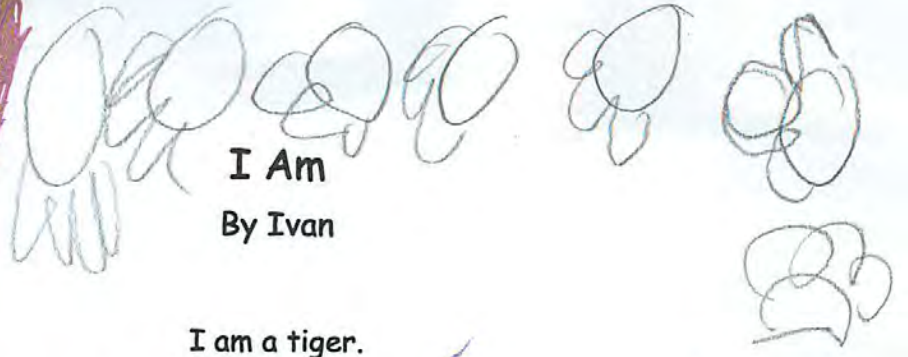
I say, "Hi!", "Hello," and "Bye"

I dream to be a firefighter

I try to do good

I hope to get a job.

I am a bird.





I Am

By Sasha

I am Sasha, the playful puppy.

I wonder when the ball is going to get thrown?

I hear the ball getting picked up.

I see it getting thrown far away.

I want to get the ball, so I do.

I am a good fetcher.

I pretend to rip the ball open because I have strong teeth.

I feel so happy to chase the ball.

I enjoy chasing the ball in my backyard.

I like begging for food.

I respect my owner.

I am a strong and proud puppy.

I understand a fetch game.

I say, "I am a grown up puppy."

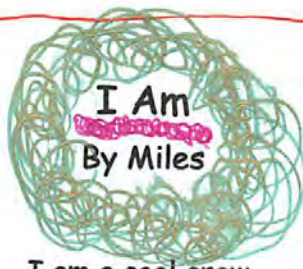
I dream to run free.

I try to enjoy everything.

I hope to get a new toy.

I am Sasha, the playful puppy.





I am a cool crow.

I wonder if I can eat now.

I hear my crow friends.

I see a storm, and

I want it to go away.

I am a cool crow.

I pretend that I can fly all the way into space.

I feel good.

I enjoy flying.

I like humans because they give me food.

I respect humans.

I am a cool crow.

I understand that humans don't want to give me food.

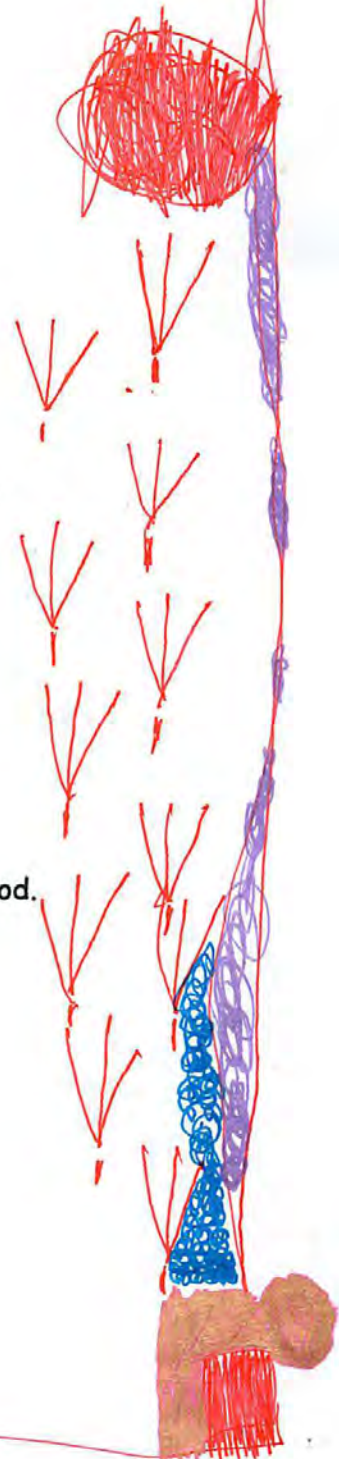
I say, "Thank you for the food."

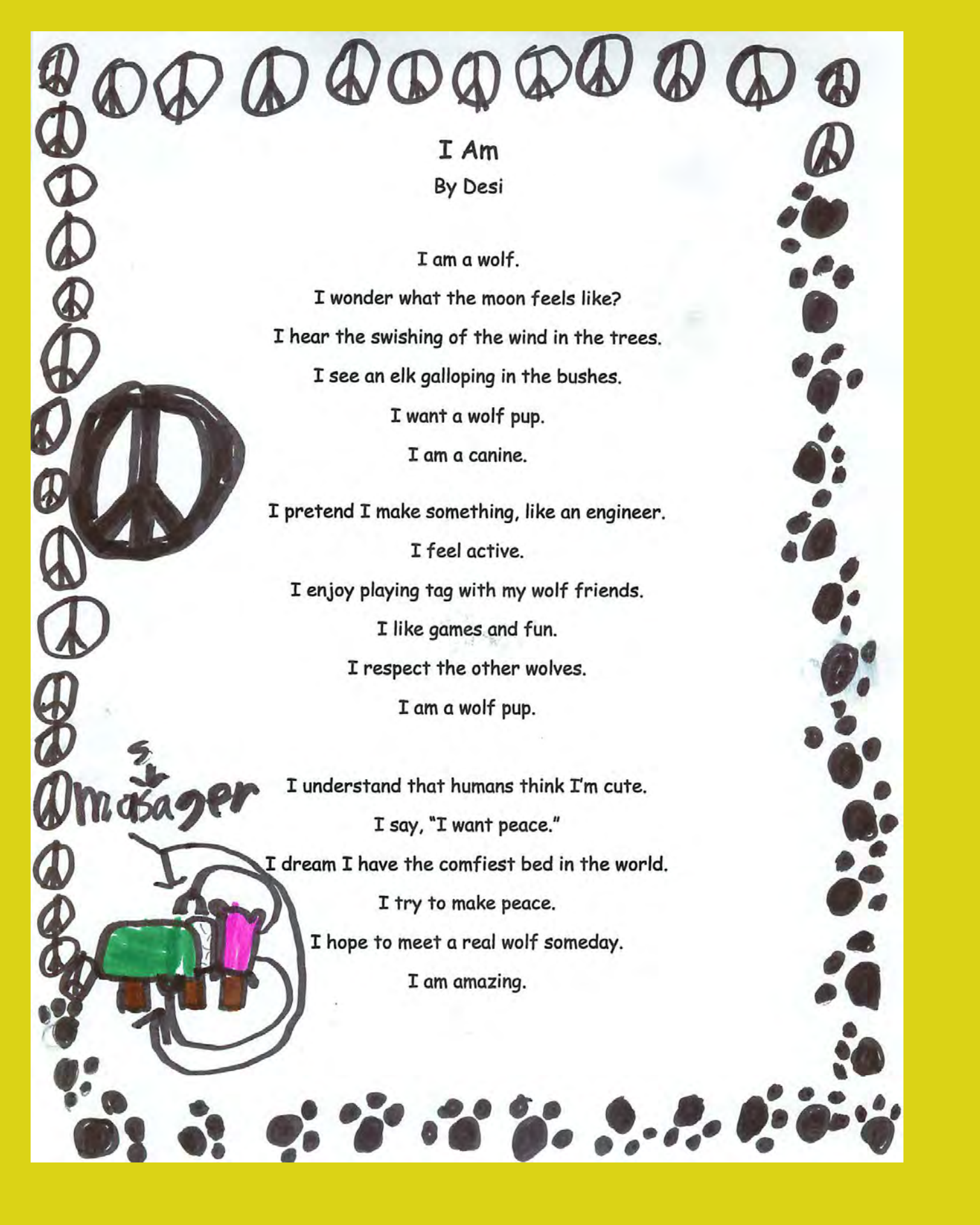
I dream of flying.

I try to run.

I hope I will not crash from the sky.

I am a cool crow.





I Am
By Desi

I am a wolf.

I wonder what the moon feels like?

I hear the swishing of the wind in the trees.

I see an elk galloping in the bushes.

I want a wolf pup.

I am a canine.

I pretend I make something, like an engineer.

I feel active.

I enjoy playing tag with my wolf friends.

I like games and fun.

I respect the other wolves.

I am a wolf pup.

I understand that humans think I'm cute.

I say, "I want peace."

I dream I have the comfiest bed in the world.

I try to make peace.

I hope to meet a real wolf someday.

I am amazing.

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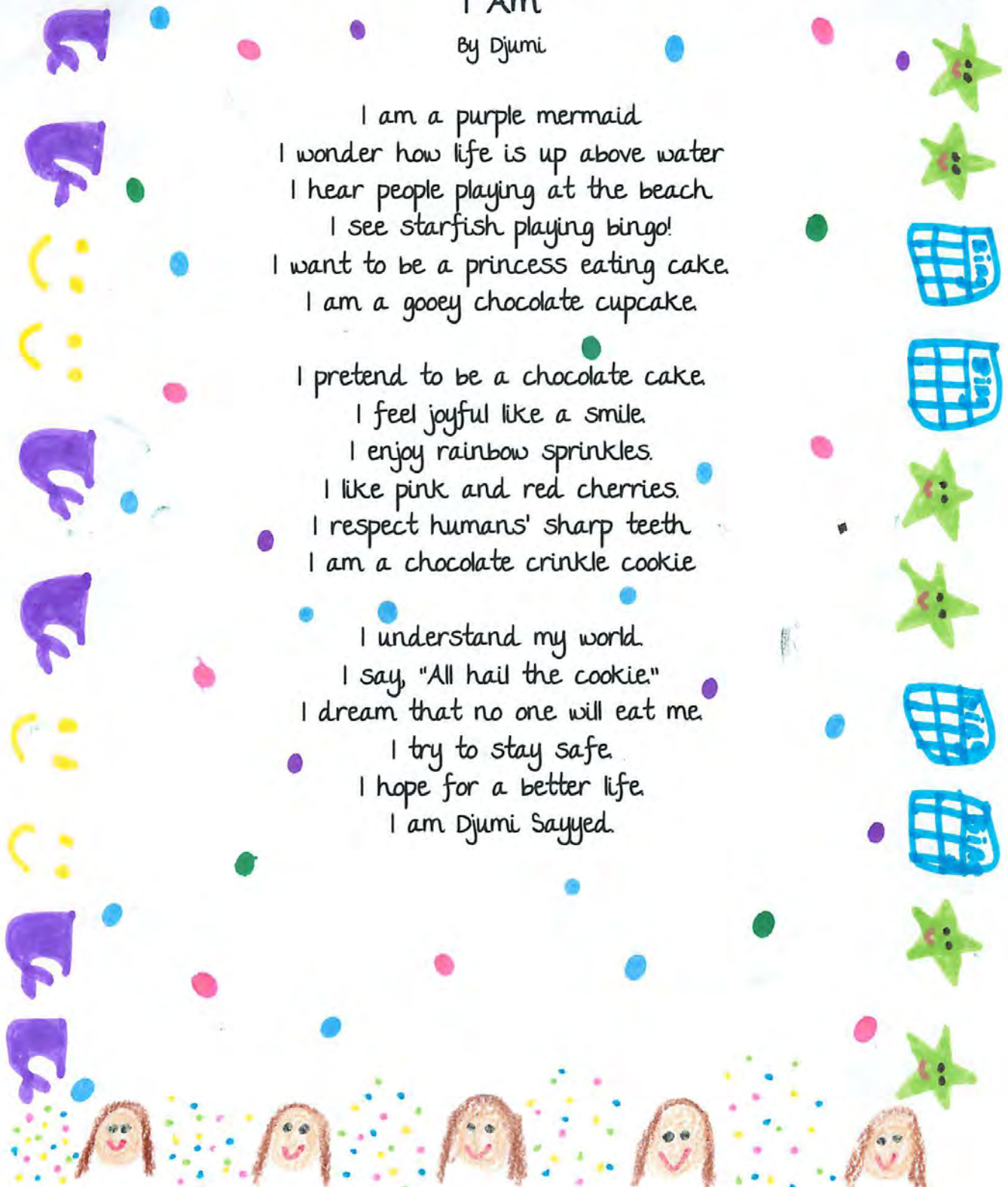
I Am

By Djumi

I am a purple mermaid
I wonder how life is up above water
I hear people playing at the beach
I see starfish playing bingo!
I want to be a princess eating cake.
I am a gooey chocolate cupcake.

I pretend to be a chocolate cake.
I feel joyful like a smile.
I enjoy rainbow sprinkles.
I like pink and red cherries.
I respect humans' sharp teeth
I am a chocolate crinkle cookie

I understand my world.
I say, "All hail the cookie."
I dream that no one will eat me.
I try to stay safe.
I hope for a better life.
I am Djumi Sayyed.





I Am

By Edwin



I am a Black Komodo dragon
I wonder if I will survive.
I hear rustling in the grass.
I see the islands across the water.
I want a yummy delicious deer.
I am a black Komodo dragon



I pretend to only kill fish
I feel like a king
I enjoy hunting and killing deer.
I like to be respected.
I respect other protected animals and myself.
I am a Black Komodo dragon



I understand the islands I live on
I say I am a good swimmer.
I dream to be able to survive.
I try to be sneaky when hunting
I hope that my population will grow.
I am a Black Komodo dragon



I Am

By Jeremiah

I am a puppy.

I wonder if magic is real.
I hear the ice cream truck stopping by
I see a light blue flower "sniff sniff!"

I want dog biscuits, YUM!

I am cookie.

I pretend I'm a cookie.

I feel so delicious.

I enjoy looking out my sugar window and seeing cotton candy
clouds in the pink sky

I like my licorice mint drawbridge.

I respect all my all my assistants.

I am a basketball.

I understand you might get hurt

I say you won't give up.

I dream you will respect me more.

I try to bounce hard.

I hope you use me more.

I am Jeremiah the puppy

I Am

By Guang Hao

I am a hamster.

I wonder who will find me because I am so small.
I hear people say I'm lazy because I have nothing to do.

I see nothing to do. I am so bored.

I want to do something at home.

I am a hamster.

I pretend I have my own world.

I feel like I will do something.

I enjoy playing, learning and doing.

I like a yummy tasty snack.

I respect my owner because she takes care of me.

I am a hamster.

I understand other hamsters who have nothing to do.

I say let's go to the hamsters park.

I dream I can go on the hamsters moon.

I try to win the hamster race.

I hope every hamster can be free.

I am a smart hamster.



I Am

By Elian

I am Elian.

I wonder if I will change into something else?

I hear peace.

I see myself as a Changemaker.

I want to see peace in all of the world.

I am Elian.

I pretend I'm a change maker.

I feel like I'm a change maker.

I enjoy getting presents.

I like Legos.

I respect my friends.

I am Elian.

I understand what my friends say

I say to stop when my friends do something wrong.

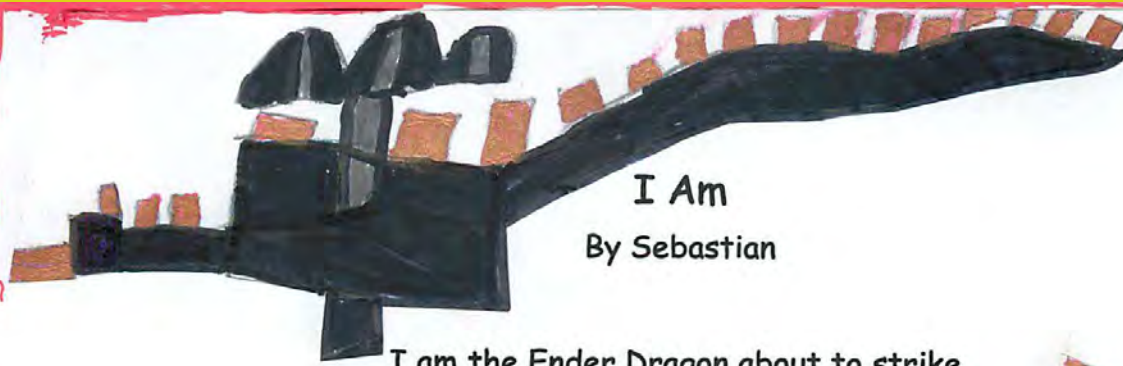
I dream of things that I like.

I try to stop what is wrong.

I hope everyone has peace.

I am Elian.





I Am

By Sebastian

I am the Ender Dragon about to strike.

I wonder if I'll die to a sword.

I hear the portal being lit.

I see a player named NKI26.



I want to eat a steak.

I am powerful.

I pretend I love you.

I feel happy, too.

I enjoy lots of diamonds.

I like the Nether.

I respect the Endermen.

I am a rich dragon.

I understand I will die.

I say, "I can't be killed."

I dream I live forever.

I try to survive.

I hope I live.

I am the Ender Dragon.

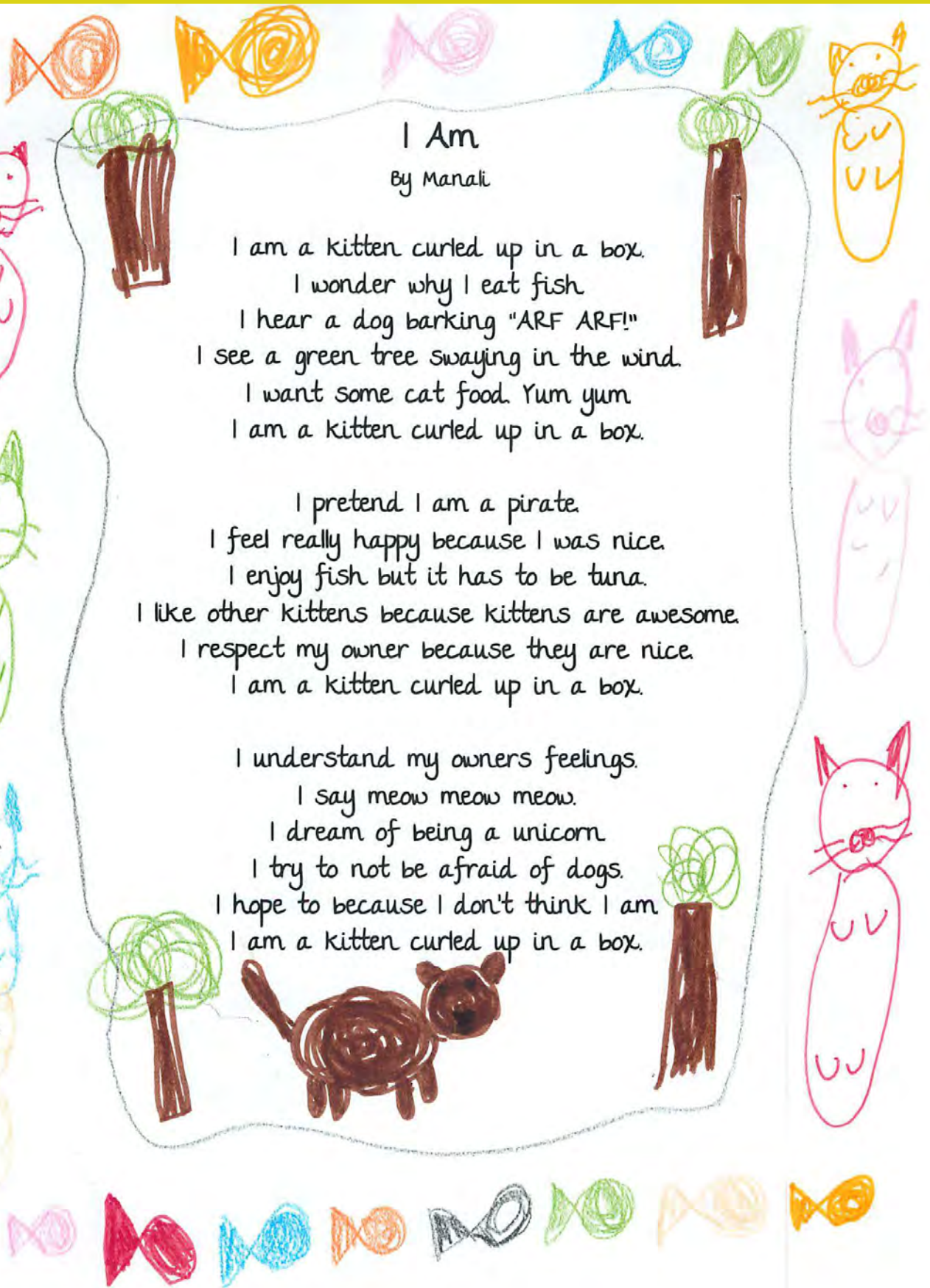



I Am
By Manali

I am a kitten curled up in a box.
I wonder why I eat fish
I hear a dog barking "ARF ARF!"
I see a green tree swaying in the wind.
I want some cat food. Yum yum
I am a kitten curled up in a box.

I pretend I am a pirate
I feel really happy because I was nice.
I enjoy fish but it has to be tuna.
I like other kittens because kittens are awesome.
I respect my owner because they are nice.
I am a kitten curled up in a box.

I understand my owners feelings.
I say meow meow meow.
I dream of being a unicorn
I try to not be afraid of dogs.
I hope to because I don't think I am
I am a kitten curled up in a box.





I Am
By Zahara

I am a baby panda chewing on bamboo.
I wonder when my mom will give me a panda back ride.
I hear my mom calling me for dinner.
I see a big stack of bamboo waiting for me.
I want seconds, on bamboo, but I get too full.
I am very good at snuggles.

I pretend I am asleep when it is bed time, but I just eat bamboo.
I feel amazing when I snuggle with my mommy.
I enjoy eating bamboo (mostly).
I like bamboo because it's so crunchy.
I respect the little bugs that crawl on me that I play with, and all my siblings.
I am a bamboo-loving cub.

I understand when my mom wants me to go to sleep- but I love sneaking food at night.
I say I'm the Bamboo Queen!
I dream of new bamboo adventures.
I try to make that happen.
I hope to get a bamboo cake as big as I want for my birthday.
I am a baby panda chomping and playing.



I Am
By Parker

I am 7.

I wonder who you are.

I hear the chirps of the birds.

I see my mom every day.

I want to see the world.

I am happy.



I pretend I'm brave.

I feel scared.

I enjoy playing with my friends.

I like to playing outside.

I respect nature.

I am playful.



I understand nature.

I say, "I love Nature!"

I dream of peace.

I try to do gymnastics.

I hope for peace.

I am Parker Carlson.





I Am

By Ailo

I am a scone.

I wonder when I will be eaten.

I hear a customer.

I see someone in the shop.

I want to be eaten.

I am sweet.

I pretend that I will be eaten.

I feel sad that no one will eat me.

I enjoy being on the shelf.

I like being in the shop.

I respect other treats.

I am delicious.

I understand sugar.

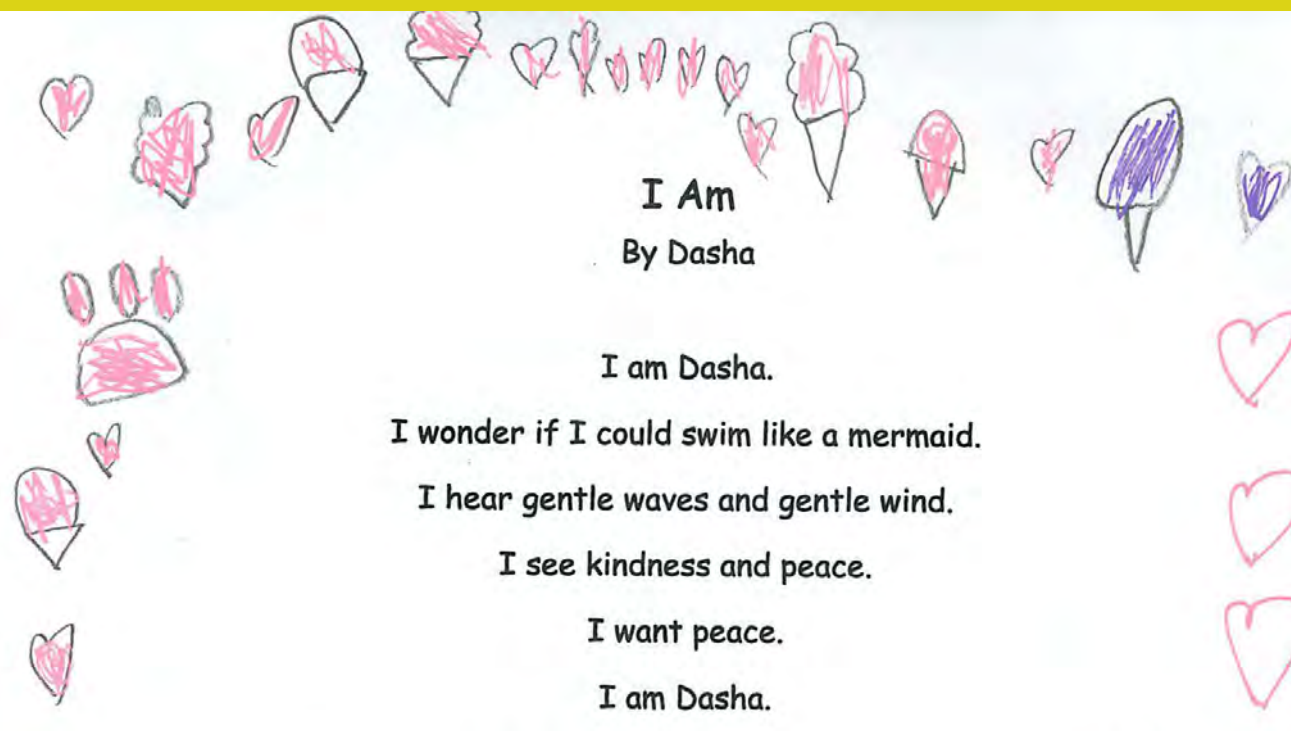
I say, "Delicious."

I dream to be the best treat.

I try to be tasty.

I hope to be expensive.

I am nutritious.



I Am
By Dasha

I am Dasha.

I wonder if I could swim like a mermaid.

I hear gentle waves and gentle wind.

I see kindness and peace.

I want peace.

I am Dasha.

I pretend that I am a dog.

I feel happy when I play.

I enjoy cotton candy and ice cream.

I like family and friends.

I respect people and animals.

I am Dasha.

I understand pain and sadness.

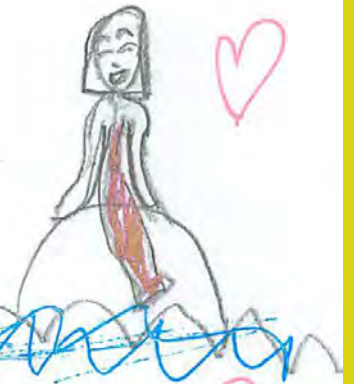
I say, "I like trees and nature."

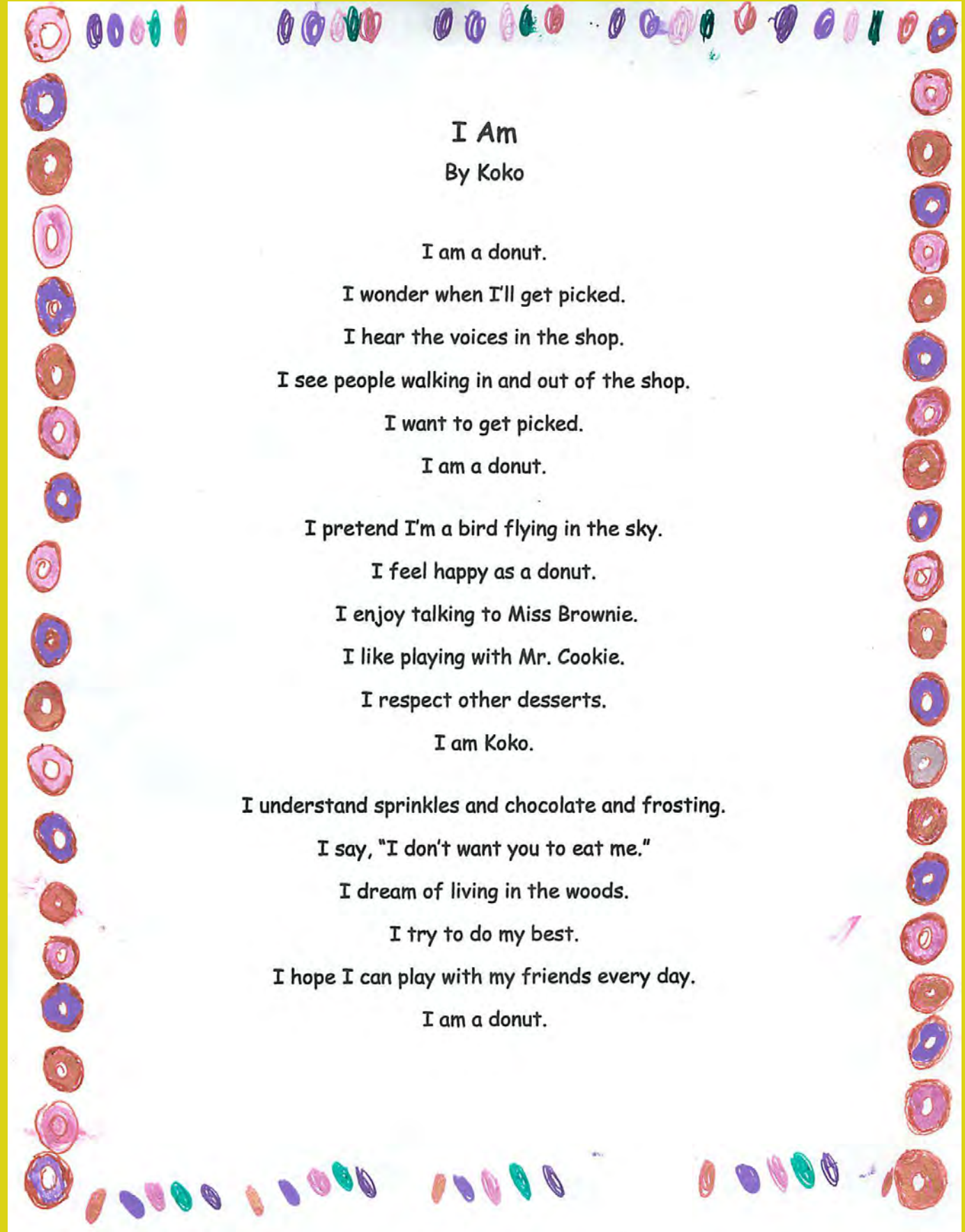
I dream the Northern Lights.

I try to swim as far as I can.

I hope I for the world to be peaceful.

I am Dasha.





I Am
By Koko

I am a donut.

I wonder when I'll get picked.

I hear the voices in the shop.

I see people walking in and out of the shop.

I want to get picked.

I am a donut.

I pretend I'm a bird flying in the sky.

I feel happy as a donut.

I enjoy talking to Miss Brownie.

I like playing with Mr. Cookie.

I respect other desserts.

I am Koko.

I understand sprinkles and chocolate and frosting.

I say, "I don't want you to eat me."

I dream of living in the woods.

I try to do my best.

I hope I can play with my friends every day.

I am a donut.



I Am
By Lou



I am a piece of clay.
I wonder if someone will sculpt me one day?

Ha Ha
Ha
Ha

I hear the children laughing.



I see my mom's beauty.

I want to be like my mom.

I am happy for everyone.

I pretend to be a chef.

I feel like I'm loved.

I enjoy my mom's jokes.

I like friends.

I respect my friends.

I am me.

I understand everyone.

I say, "I love you!"

I dream for you and me.

I try again.

I hope for you.

I am everyone.



I Am

By Noa

I am a rainbow standing still after a rainy, cold day.

I wonder if I will ever touch the sun.

I hear birds flapping their wings up and down.

I see love in the sky.

I want to see more love in the world.

I am a rainbow floating with nice colors.

I pretend that I can reach across the sky.

I feel love in the sky.

I enjoy floating in the air.

I like when people show love.

I respect the sun and the moon.

I am a burst of colors.

I understand that sometimes I can be too nice.

I say that Love is Peace.

I dream that one day I can touch the ground.

I try to be as kind as I can be.

I hope that I'm kind enough.

I am a Rainbow.






I Am

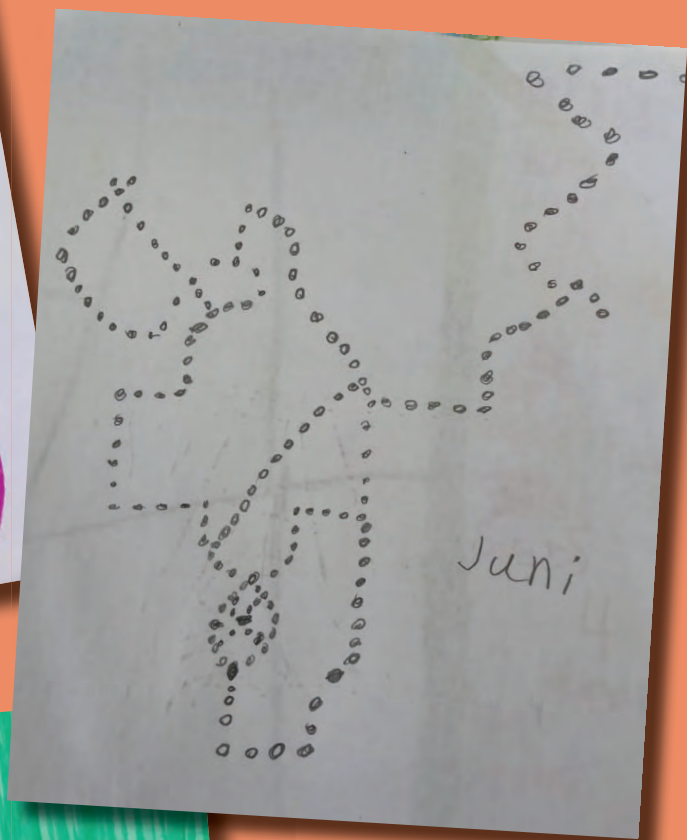
By River

I am a cute brown puppy
I wonder if I will get a treat
I hear kids saying, "What a cute pup."
I see kids playing with balloons.
I want to start playing with the balloons.
I am a cute brown pup.

I pretend to have gold wings.
I feel wind flying through my tongue.
I enjoy playing fetch
I like it when kids pet me.
I respect other dogs.
I am a cute brown pup.

I understand dogs playing rough
I say, "I don't want to play You're too big"
I dream of getting a gold medal
I try to play frisbee.
I hope I get good at frisbee.
I am a cute brown pup.





Letting Go

with

Free Flow



The Second Graders wrote a variety of patterned poetry with designated formats throughout the year, but they also experimented with free verse in their journals during Writer's Workshop, throughout National Poetry Month (in April), and throughout the last weeks of May in preparation for this anthology.

For their original free flow poetry, the students were given no parameters. Some of the poems reflect what was going on in their lives at the time, and some are just pure whimsical fun. You may also see a variety of acrostic verse, haiku and even the blues sprinkled in if an individual happened to gravitate towards one of those particular styles.

We are proud of the children's creativity and we're sure you will be dazzled by their playful poetry, too!

COVID-19 by Rassoul

2020 with Covid
It made me scared
But that we would be okay
At least some of us
I am wearing a mask as I am writing this
That is Covid.

Beside The Lake by Rassoul

While I am beside the lake
I skip a rock
It doesn't go that far



Butterflies

Butterflies Butterflies beautiful and colorful. So many colors like the Rainbow.

You can choose any color that you feel looks best. You can find them anywhere

Butterflies Butterflies I wish to fly in the skies like you, Beautiful and Magestic.

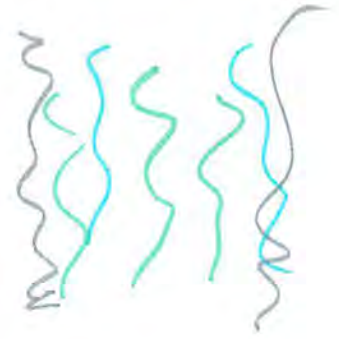
By: Dasha J. Vazquez Amador



My Magical Place

by Mabel

I am walking down a normal path in my normal neighborhood.
Then I walk through something, something not normal.
When I came through I was in a strange place
where I saw beautiful tall mountains in the distance.
I keep walking.
I come to a waterfall.
Slowly, I walk through it.
It feels so nice.
When I come out, I can't believe my eyes.
A few feet in front of me is a huge beautiful Phoenix.
Then, I don't know why, but I give it a big hug.
Then I turn around and walk through the waterfall,
past the mountains and through something
that I know now is the door to my magical place.



The howling wind and the glistening rain

by Kenzi

Pitter patter, pitter patter,
I hear the rain splash on my door.
Pitter patter, pitter patter.
Tapping on a dog's fur.

I look out my window and hear the howling wind.
I see glistening drops of clear, smooth, wet water.
I hear it pour like the waves.





Sky Blue

By Ayla

The sky is blue and sweet.
The sky is cloudy, dark and wet.
Lie on the grass and look at the sky blue.
The clouds are fluffy.
Airplanes fly.
I look up at the blue sky.
The sky is blue with a sparkling sun.

Nature

by Hetta Jennhoefer

A hot summer day.

A rushing waterfall.

A splash in the lake.

A cold lake on a hot summer day.

A beautiful blue sky.

Looking down to the lake from the blue bright beautiful sky.

Beyond the sky sits a world full of different unique special worlds,
where we have never really been before.

Back down on our world in that cold refreshing lake.

Next to that lake there is a forest, a beautiful green forest.

When you enter that forest you enter lots of animal homes.



Cats

by River

Cats are cute

Cats are nice

Cats bite toes

They flick noses

Cats fight rats

They take naps



Weather by Edwin

There is sunny sky
Stormy lightning
and
wind.

The weather
it sometimes pours and
drops,

it sometimes makes
lightning go
high, up into the sky.

Sometimes it stirs
up tight or
drops in
flight.

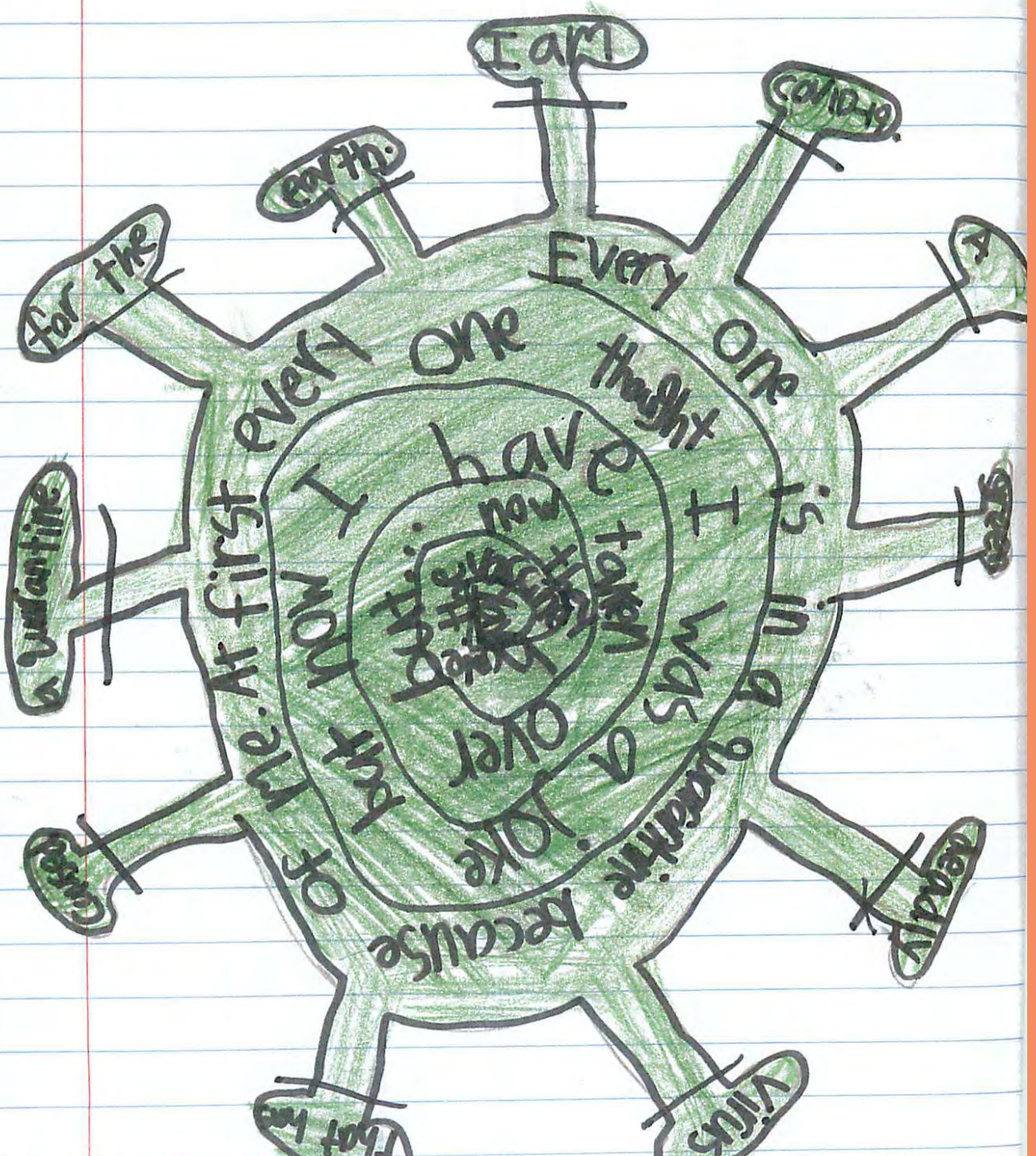
It may dry up water
and stop,

and then let the water
again drop.

The weather is strong.
It is fast. It is calm.
weather.

BY sasha

the virus



The Little Sweet Cookie

The cookie is on a tall table.
The cookie is sweet, so is my heart



The Little Cute Hamster

by Guang Hao

a little hamster sitting on a table
table is small like a cherry
and cute like a baby



by Guang Hao



The Cookie that was a Rookie (part 1)

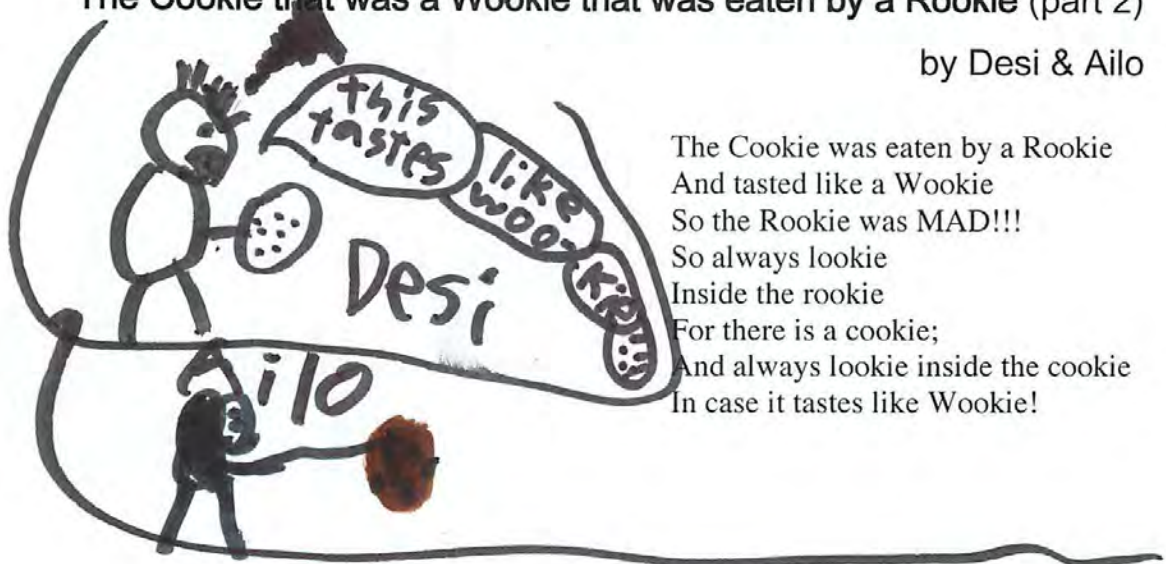
by Desi & Ailo

The cookie is a rookie
For making a cookie!
And inside the cookie was a rookie
And inside the rookie was a cookie!
And always lookie
Inside the cookie
For there is a rookie!



The Cookie that was a Wookiee that was eaten by a Rookie (part 2)

by Desi & Ailo

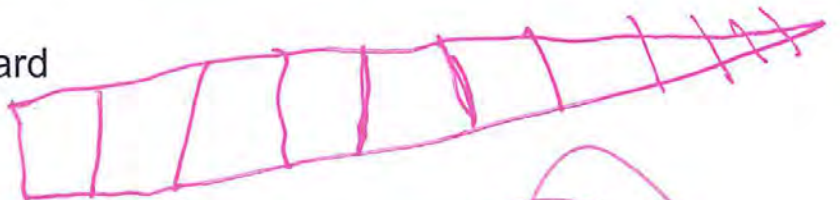


The Cookie was eaten by a Rookie
And tasted like a Wookiee
So the Rookie was MAD!!!
So always lookie
Inside the rookie
For there is a cookie;
And always lookie inside the cookie
In case it tastes like Wookiee!

Charizard, Oh Charizard

By Sebastian


Claws that are a foot long,
It's as orange as a light bulb, shining bright.
Fiery and flying high,
Taller than a 2nd Grader, smaller than a basketball player,
Flapping its wings gracefully while breathing fire.
Its wings are the blue of midnight on a full moon,
One of Ash's favorite Pokemon: The Mega Charizard Y



The song of Birds

By Manali Watson

The song of birds
is wonderful
The cheep. The
whistle. The caw
The peep. Every noise
fills up the place
where you are. you
hear every noise
around you. it is amazing,
even if there is no
noise at all, it is peaceful
All you have to is imagine.




When Nature Sings

by Juniper

When birds tweet
and sunflowers hum,
nature sings.

When leaves rustle
and wind chimes chime,
nature sings.

When I crunch over
dried leaves,
nature sings.



Flame

by Elijah

Flame, a beautiful thing
Wonderful, colorful, full of warmth
Weak vs water
Strong vs cloth
Wonderful heat that creates more fire
Dangerous but cool
Keep it away from TNT
It will explode



Bloom

by opal



Blooms when the flower blooms
 oh how do I think it is
 so beautiful. The blueberry bush and
 strawberries all came from a pod. Summer
 When all people with such beautiful flowers.
 think of the big summer the
 flowers. So plant some of the flowers dig
 a hole and watch the flowers dig
 bloom. A peach rose and tulip
 blossom. Ever cosmos flower what
 own way. When it is unique and
 I think it is something is cherry
 beautiful. So blooms



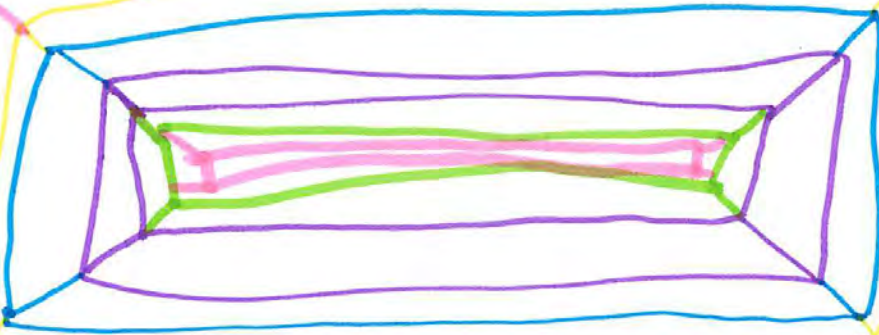
The Sugar Glazed Mirror

By Jeremiah

In the sugar castle lay a sugar glazed mirror
If you look at it, it's just normal
But if you have the key
You go to a new world
Sugar sugar
A very sugary world

Pink sugar mushrooms laying on the very minty grass
The sour patch leaves hanging from the peppermint trees
The taffy home of the gingerbread people
The King of Sugar
Is the person who brings along this magical world

This sugar world comes after
The one and only Candy Castle
Sugar sugar
A very sugary world





The Waffle (concrete poem)

by Elian

waffles are tasty. They're hot
on the thing that you cook them on
' You can put syrup on a waffle
You can even make them bigger
if you have the thing to make them
Bigger. You can have a waffle for your
Birthday or you can have them for breakfast.

Things to Help: An Earth Day List poem by Miles

1. Pick up trash!!!
2. Feed the birds!
3. Plant trees.
4. Save electricity by turning off lights.
5. Take out trash!
6. Walk more, drive less.



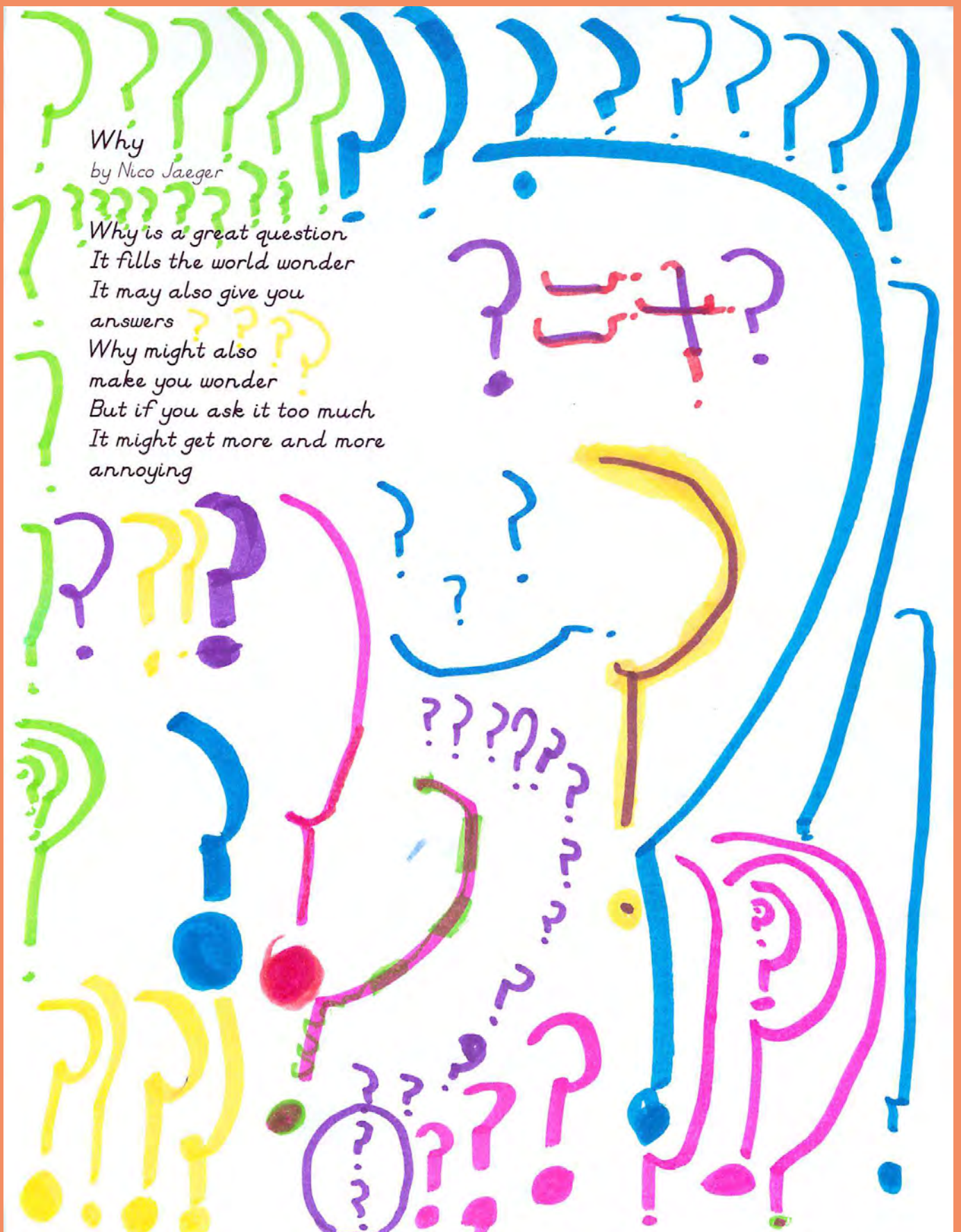
Ghosts cinquain by Sasha

Scary, pale
Haunting, Scaring, Floating
I'm as pale as a vampire.
Spectre.



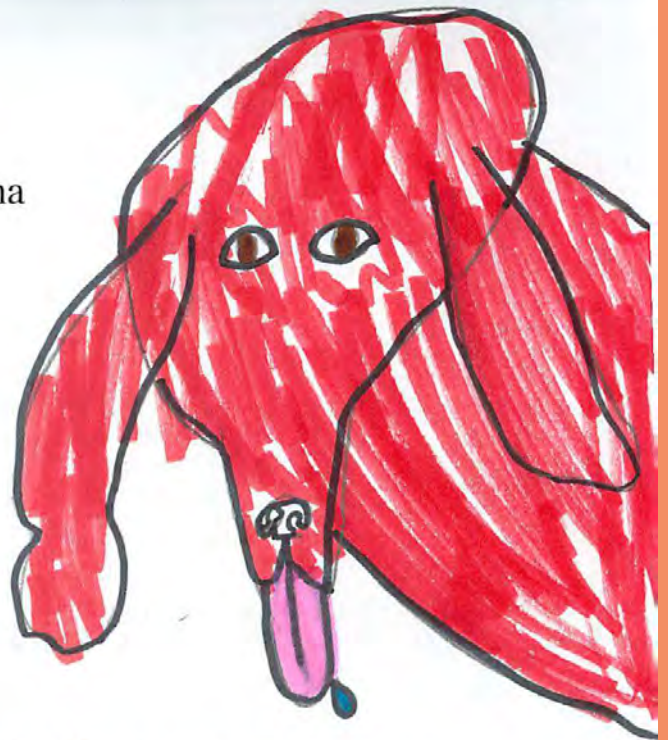
Why
by Nico Jaeger

*Why is a great question
It fills the world wonder
It may also give you
answers
Why might also
make you wonder
But if you ask it too much
It might get more and more
annoying*



Pablo acrostic verse by Sasha

Paws full of foxtails
Alligator in his mouth
Busy stealing socks
Licker of faces
Overly cute



Halloween haiku by Lou



**Happy Halloween
Halloween is coming up
I'm so excited!**

The COVID-19 Mask by Desi

So much depends
upon
a COVID-19
mask
On someone's
Face
At Park Day School, on a person's
face
With the person writing this
Poem.



The Robin haiku by Sasha

The blue eggs lay there
Soon a blue crack forms in them
The baby bird flies.



Dreams by Desi

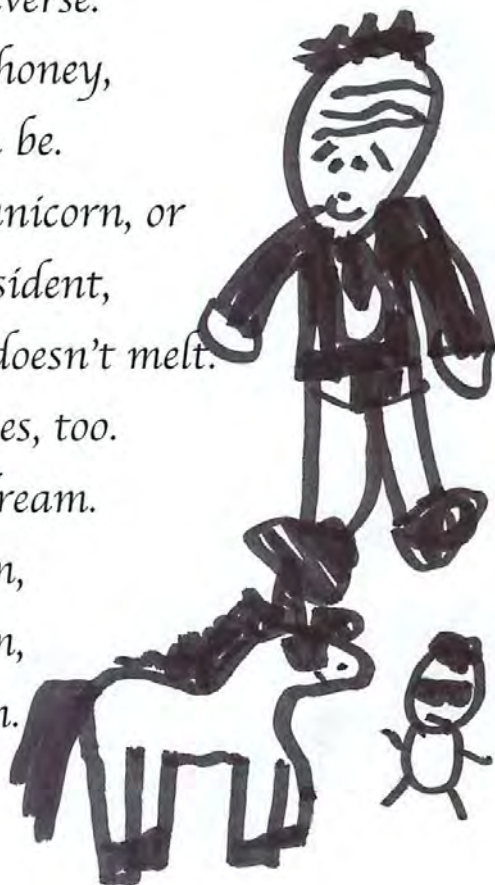
Dreams are like magic,
A whole new universe.
Dreams are like honey,
A sweet as can be.

You can have a pet unicorn, or
You could be president,
Or eat ice cream that doesn't melt.

There are bad ones, too.

But it's just a dream.

Just a dream,
Just a dream,
just a dream.



I'm as wild as a wave

By Lilah

I'm as wild as a wave
Diving through the sea
With no one coming
After me
'cuz I'm in the wild
And I'm diving free
With all the whales and dolphins and penguins
So hear our roar out
So hear our roar.



Outside

by Parker

The wind is in my hair
The cold breeze is in my toes
It feels good to be outside.



Vanilla Ice Cream

by Koko

So much depends
Upon
A cup of vanilla
Ice cream
Drizzled in
chocolate
Waiting on the
Table.

Mask

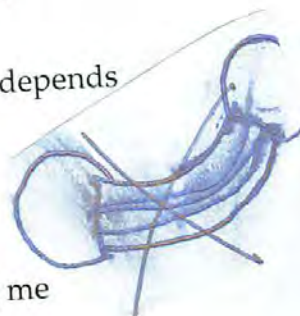
By Ari

So much depends
upon

A
Mask

Keeping me
Safe

On my mouth
beside the box.



ACROSTIC VERSE POEMS
BY DESI

Second Grade

*S*uper Awesome Class
*E*pically cool class
*C*reative class
*O*ptomistic class
*N*ice class
*D*andy class

*G*reat class
*R*esponsible class
*A*mazing class
*D*aring class
*E*nergetic class

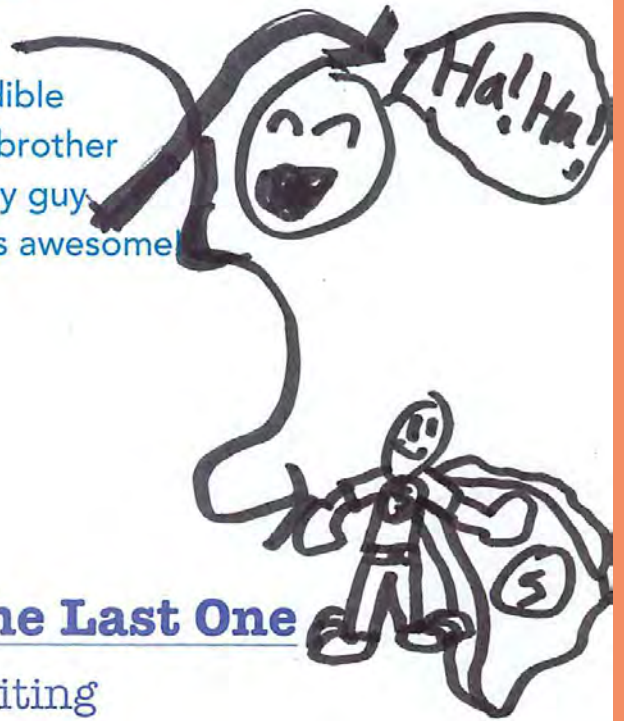
...And Another...

A good guy
N ice person
D aring
R eader
E nergetic
W atermelon lover



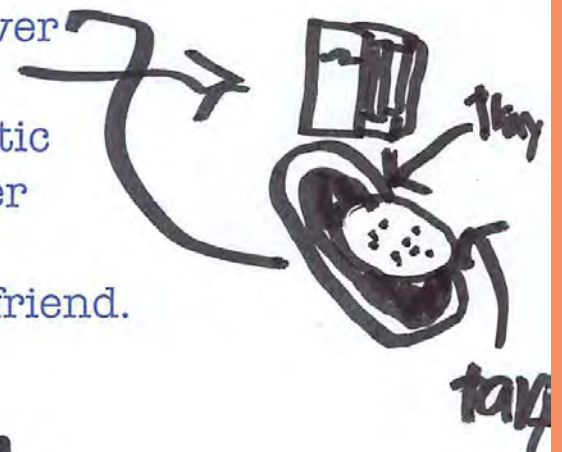
Yet Another Acrostic Verse

*S*uper
*I*ncredible
*L*ittle brother
A funny guy
*S*ilas is awesome!



...The Last One

*E*xciting
*S*uper fun
*T*art lover
*R*eader
*E*nergetic
*L*earner
*L*oving
A good friend.



Books Books Books

by Noa

Books are fun!



a Book

Books: So important

Books: Nice to read

Books: I really like how you can Imagine things and add on to them
You can think, "What's after that?"

But when you have to go away from the book, it's hard.

It's hard but there's a lot of things you can do with them.

Books are fun!



Ghosts cinquain by Dasha



Ghosts

Scary, flowy

Scaring people, haunting, saying Boo

As flowy as a river

Ghosts



HALLOWEEN CINQUAIN by Sebastian

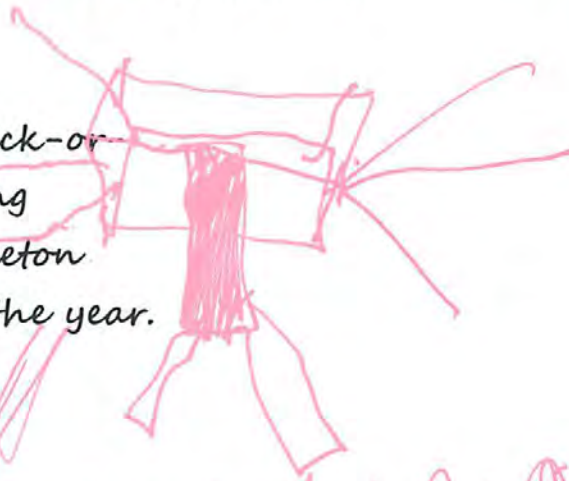
Halloween

Sweet, scary

Monsters jumping, trick-or-
treating, spooking

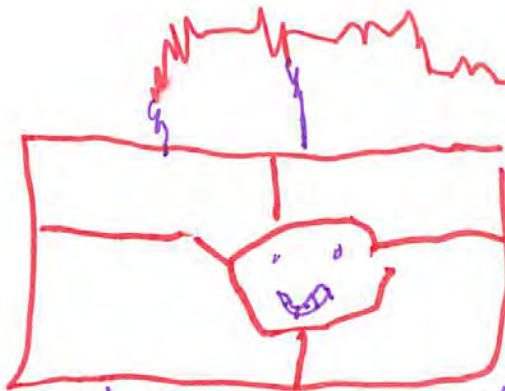
As spooky as a skeleton

The scariest month of the year.



Devil of the Night by Lou

Rain is coming down
Like a crown
It is the devil of the night.



Ice Cream By Ari

*Did you know...
my favorite ice cream is mint chip,
my brother likes vanilla,
my mom likes strawberry,
and my sister likes strawberry, too.*

The Winter Storm By Elian

*The story of the winter storm
There was a water
Who took a camel back.
The winter was crying
It became the winter storm.*



MOOSEY haiku by Desi

Warm. Cuddly. Snuggly.
Relaxing. Furry is he.
Makes you more happy.

Two Loving Butterflies by Zahara

Two big butterflies shining together
As one big bond and
They love each other too much
And are so good together
That the two of them are so, so, so nice to each other
And they have the biggest bond together ever!
One day the two butterflies went to a vacation at a place -
The biggest place in all of butterfly world!
I wish I was a butterfly!



Basketball

by Ailo

Boing Boing

The sound of the basketball

Bouncing in the court

He shoots and scores!

Boing Boing

Cookie by Koko

So much depends

Upon

A fresh

cookie

Straight out of the

Oven

Beside the cup of

Milk.



Trick or Treat

Cinquain by Lilah

Trick or Treat

Delicious, Candy

Going from house to house, collecting

candy, dressing up

As sweet as sugar

Candy!



I Like poem

By Miles

Music

Ice cream

Learning

Eating

Soccer



**a If you didn't notice my name is wanting you to find it. My name is as sneaky as a tiger.

MY BIRTHDAY'S COMING By Parker

Cover me in sunshine
Shower me in good things
Tell me that the world has been spinning
Since the beginning.



Water Bottle by Koko

So much depends
Upon
A blue water
Bottle
In the hands of its
Owner
Sitting on the
Desk.



Ocean Wave By Lou

The ocean wave
Is here with love
The flower is here
With you.



Rock By Ari

A rock can
be many things:
A cave,
A shelter,
And a mountain.

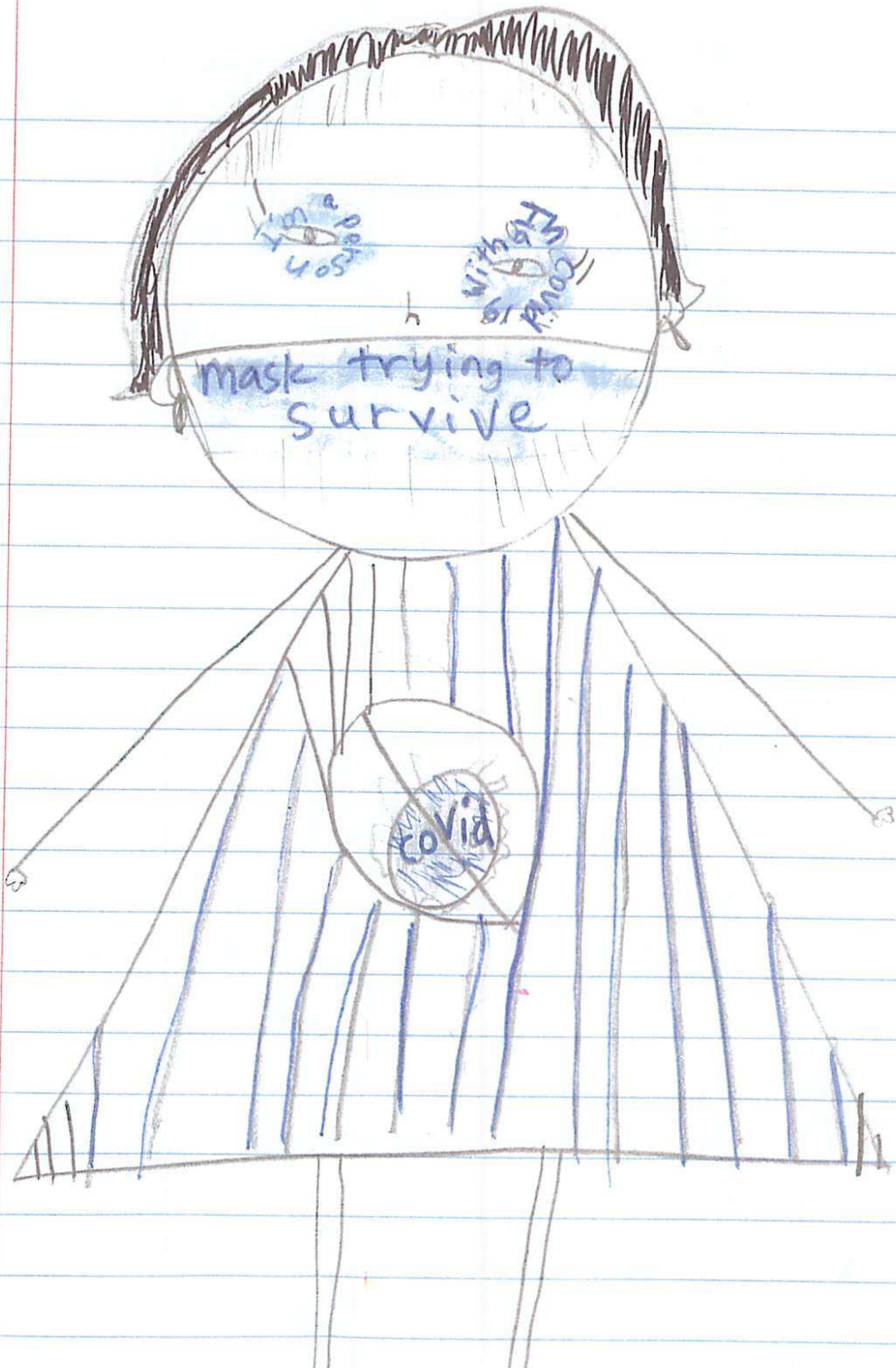


The Wet Bench By Elian

The wet bench is so cold
It is like you are frozen into an icee,
As in an ice pop.
If it gets too hot
It will explode – before you can even say: KABOOM!
It is like an ice palace
It is as cold as a frozen raspberry.
I do not want to sit on an icy bench.



Covid by Neo



The Howling by Ailo

Whistling - is it the rain?

No.

Is it the snow?

No.

It is the wind.

Yes.

The wind is coming in.

How cold!

And the wind

It has the howling.



Mask By Koko

So much depends

Upon

A

Mask

Sitting on my

Face

Besides the bottle of hand
Sanitizer.



Puffy the Unicorn By Djuna

Unicorns are awesome

Because they're magic.

I love that they fly everywhere.

I wish I could fly

All around the world.

Magic





The Mystery Box By Ivan

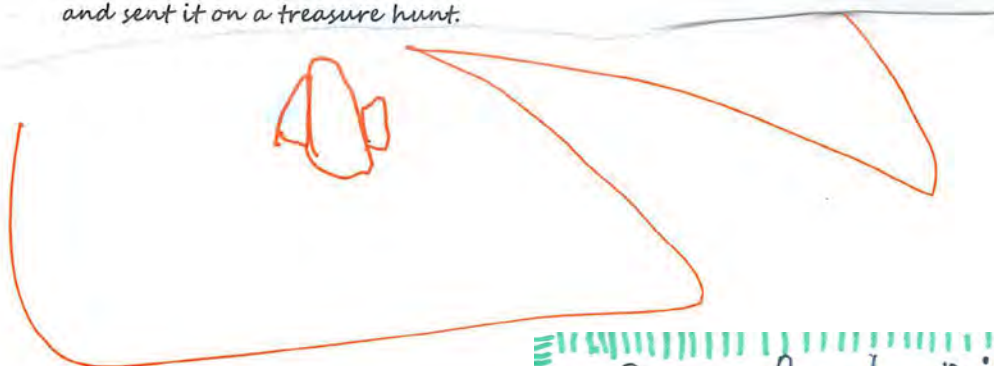
The mystery
Full of booster packs
I pulled a Pikachu EX
I pulled Charizard GX
Who will I pull next?



ON A TOOTHY TREASURE HUNT

by Ivan

My loose tooth went on a treasure hunt
My tooth was magic because it had glitter
It was a dancer dancing for six months.
The dance name was the hula.
Then it fell out.
The tooth fairy picked it up
and sent it on a treasure hunt.



Boom Busters!

Fireworks



They burst
launch

Dy:Owen
are bright

up when you
them.



Into cool

bright flames.



I Smell Nature

I smell the wet grass,
I smell the pretty flowers,
I smell nature.

I smell the busy bees,
I smell the tall palm trees,
I smell nature.

I smell nature.

By Hannah Tobin



The Sky

The sky is blue.
The sun lights the sky.

The sky is filled with stars.
The sky has planets,
red, yellow, and blue.

The sky is light and dark.

By Hannah Tobin



Mask by Ailo

So much depends
upon
a white
mask
on my
face
keeping me
safe.



The Maple Tree By Zahara

So much depends
Upon
A green maple
Tree
Glazed with rain
Water
Beside the Palm
Building.



Sushi By Djuna and Koko

*Sushi - it's good.
We love sushi flowing in the wind.
Sushi is good like carrot cake.
and shaped so cute like a little dog.*



Colors

By Koko

The bright beautiful blue in the sky,
The softest pink on the brush,
The lush green grass on the ground,
The lovely orange in the sunset,
The beautiful red on the reddest rose,
The beautiful yellow on the bright sun,
The beautiful purple on the lovely orchid,
The colors are so beautiful -
Just look around.



2 Little Sparkles by Zahara

2 little sparkles

As beautiful as a unicorn

As nice as the ocean

Shining off

For good

Together.



Love
by Djumis.

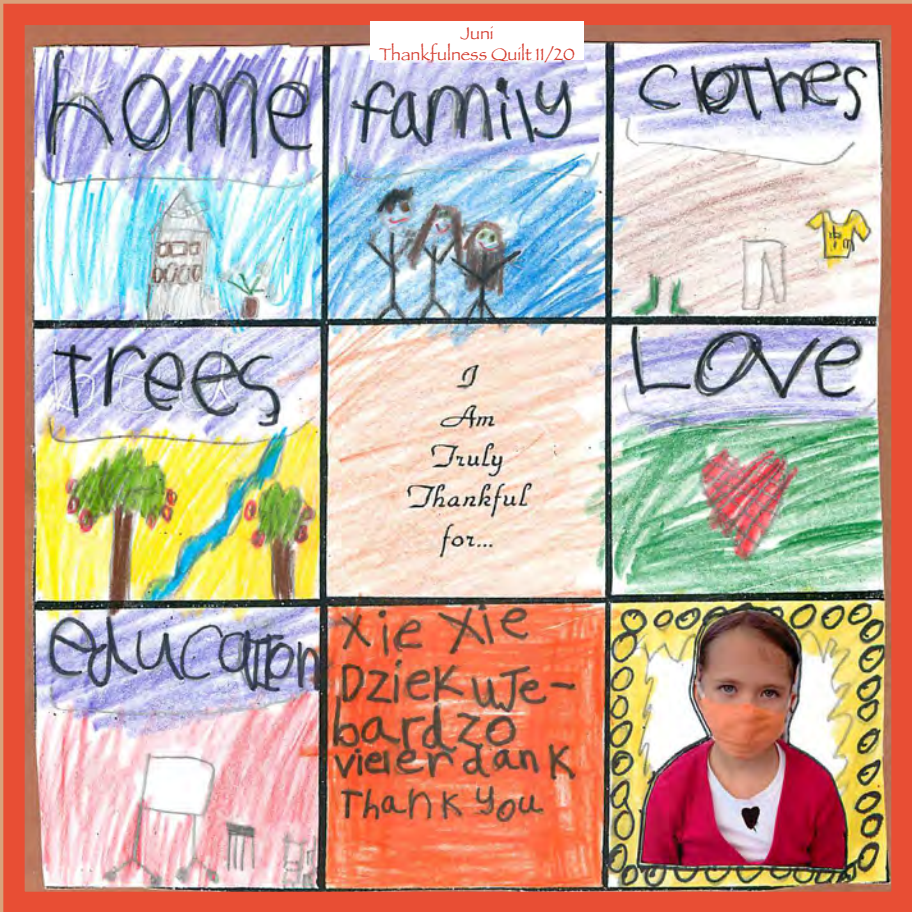
Everything that's
around us is actually
just love. love love love.
It's all around us
in fact it's inside
of us inside of you.
I love my mom &
dad Do you love yours
too?

THE END









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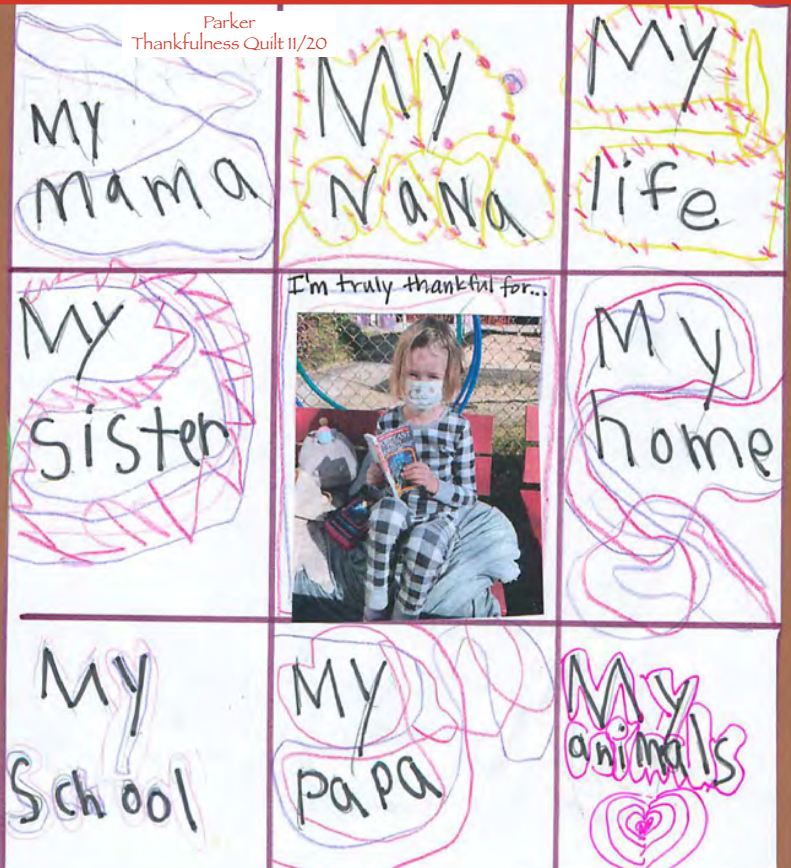


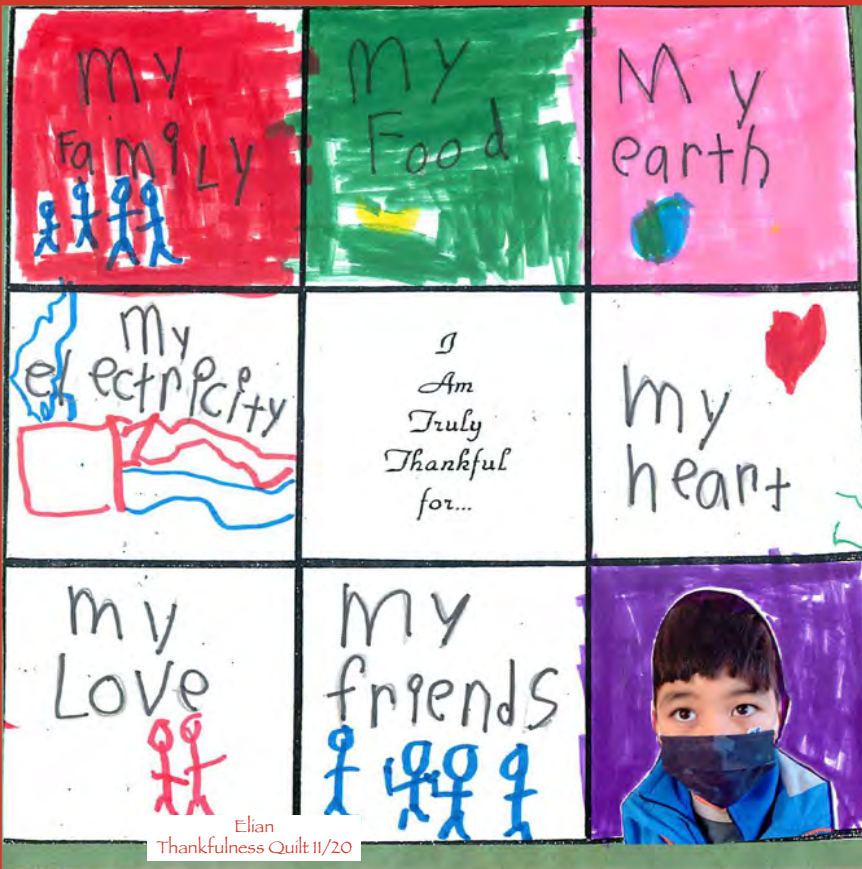


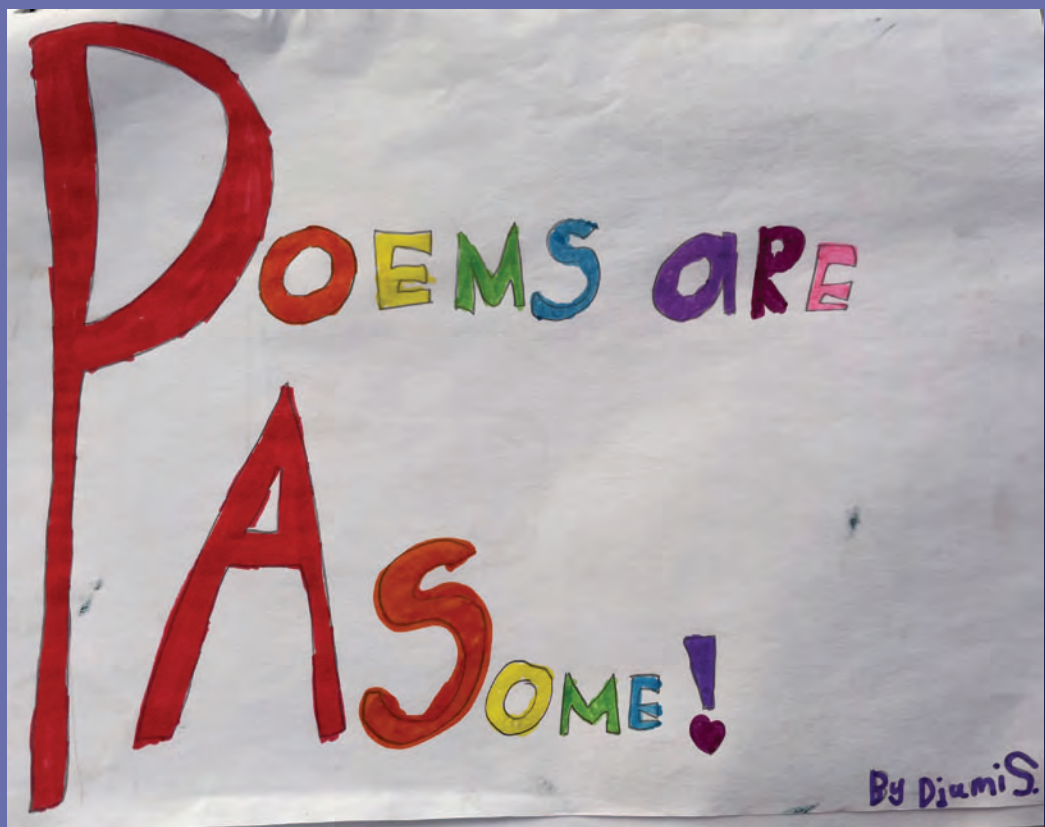
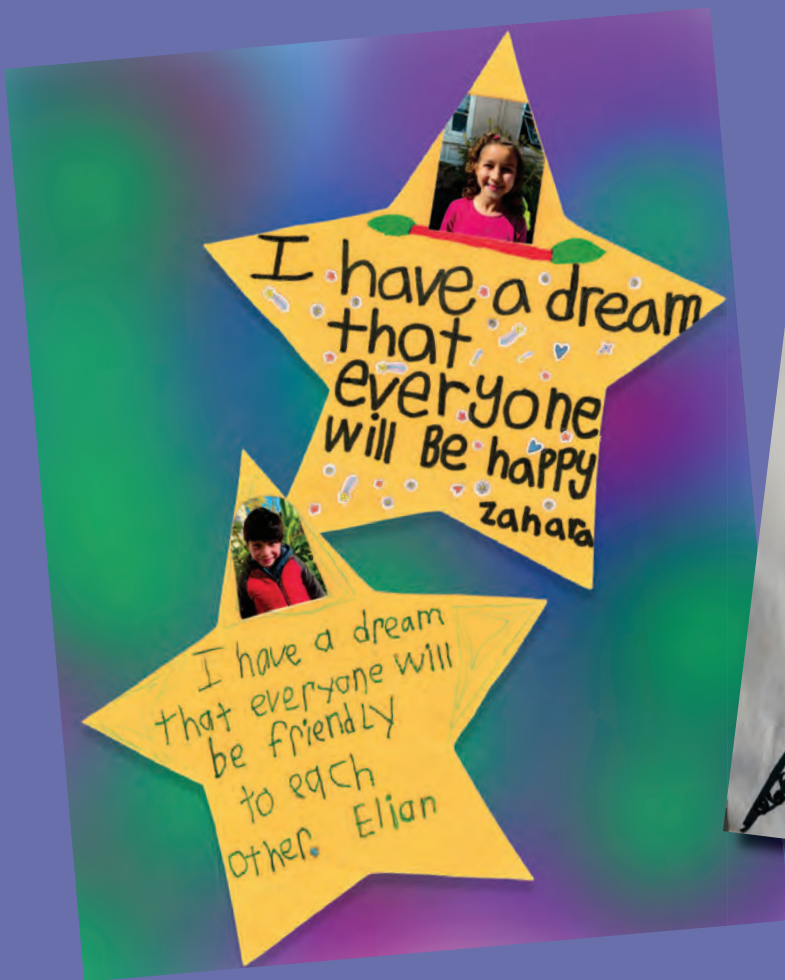
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