

“A Butterfly Comes Out”

When I open my wings, I feel free.
I come out of nowhere and you look at me.
When I am flapping my wings, I am going away.
You will see me every day.
You bring me as yours, I bring you as mine.
I look at you and you still look so bright.
I will see you tomorrow as I will find you.
Until then you are my best friend too.

Syriana
3rd Grade

A DOG FOR ME

I would like a dog to play with me.
We could run and hide near the trees.
I would like a dog so we could play.
We could skip and jump every day.
I would like a dog to hug me tight
We could snuggle and laugh all night.
THIS IS MY BIRTHDAY WISH!

Francisco
2nd Grade

Age ain't nothing but a number

I don't believe that age defines maturity
I'm sick and tired of being underestimated
Because of age
I'm fourteen
And have the mind of a eighteen year old
Honestly
Sometimes I don't even feel my age
I feel so much older
It's not that I'm trying to grow up too fast
But I've always been like this

Ashley
9th Grade

Alone

i always say i'm okay, i'm usually lying,
but i need to stop lying and speak up
but it's so hard to speak up, because
all i do is tear up.
speaking up is hard to do,
who actually cares and who's there for you,
who can I turn too when my life is upside down,
who can i count on

Yaracelys
9th Grade

America the Brave, America the Free

The name we know but cannot see
This country was built on the foundation of peace
We didn't want tyranny or unfair speech
America the Brave
Have we changed and bettered this place?
We only see the perspective given what about the perspective taken
America the Brave, we stand United
Land of the free, Home of the victors of tyranny, we made our own
path but the work is never done
America the free, huh, what about me?

Sydney
8th Grade

Autism

**Autism is darkness that hovers over a child.
Or more like loneliness far from a mile.
It's like putting out a cold meal.
Instead of saying how you feel.
It's hard to say how you're feeling.
All the pain you are sealing.
Although you would wish.
What do we call this?
It's LOVE!**

**Ricci
6th Grade**

Big Blue Bus

Up and down goes the big blue bus
Around the great city of Bridgeport
Fans cheer for the Bluefish team
While the pitcher throws the ball for the
Batter to hit it
Robin birds fly in the sky
While the baseball goes up and down
And we scream "Home Run!"

Tristan
1st Grade

BIRDS

Birds are very soft,

They are also cute,

They like to fly away,

Some eat seeds,

Some eat worms,

They make a nest in a tree,

Their eggs are safe there,

Then the babies hatch,

Birds are very interesting,

Peter

2nd Grade

BISCUIT

I have a dog that is tan
She likes to sit near my fan
She plays with me all day
We even go outside to play
Biscuit is my best friend
I will love her until the end

Jada
2nd Grade

Camp Day

**Today I can't wait...
We are going camping
on a sunny day!!**

**They're plants everywhere.
I see lots of animals.
The forest is cool!!**

**William
6th Grade**

Childhood

Children, they are the future
Their heart gold and pure
They are innocent, loving, and caring
Their smiles brighten up the world
Delicate as a flower
Innocent as an angel
Sweet sounds of laughter
Fills the beautiful day
Children

Tabata
8th Grade

Colorful Butterfly

Colorful butterflies fly so high.

Colorful butterflies shine so bright.

Colorful butterflies are beautiful all the time.

They make everyone so blind.

The little colorful butterfly says good-bye because it was his time.

He leaves with a peaceful sigh, deeply into the sky.

Melaysha

4th Grade

Curiosity

I am filled with curiosity.

Will I make it?

Will the gates of heaven open up to me?

Am I as smart as I think I am?

I know my answers now.

I know my right from wrong.

I know my ups from down.

I am satisfied.

My curiosity is gone.

Alyssa

5th Grade

Dance

Expressing myself through beautiful movement

How the movement has evolved

Many doors opened to new revolutions

From the pointed to the flexed

Sixth position to First in a blink of an eye

So gentle and beautiful yet so fierce

That is the true meaning of the Performing Art Dance

Pedro

9th Grade

DISTRACTED

GOT MY HEAD IN THE CLOUDS
NOT KNOWING WHAT'S GOING ON
ALL THIS COMMOTION
HAS ME THINKING EVERYONE IS DEVOTED
DEVOTED TO THE DRAMA
DEVOTED TO KEEPING ME DISTRACTED

PEDRO
9TH GRADE

ELEPHANT

big, trunk

eating, spraying, stomping

hard, gray

Elefante

Alyson & Moises

1st Grade

Entering the Battlefield

**Heart racing like thunder
The battlefield before me
Chest ready to explode
Across the mat, my enemy glares back
The thunder rolls on
Adrenaline disguises the banging
The bell sounds as I end my prayer
The warriors begin, weapons clashing
At the end: one victor standing**

**Adrian
10th Grade**

Facebook

It's raining, it's pouring,
Facebook's getting boring.
So off to bed
to rest my head.
But I'll probably be back
in the morning.

Anthony
6th Grade

Family Tree

*The family tree starts from one little seed,
Then starts growing and expands rapidly,
Each of us, one of the leaves,
But all of us part of the family tree.
Some of us skinny, tall, and ugly,
Some of us fat, short, and pretty
Some are Latin, Chinese, or German,
Some are Korean, Irish, or Polish,
But we are all part of the same family tree,
From deep down in the roots to high up in the leaves.*

Emily

7th Grade

Football

Run

Down

The field

feel The breeze

Run through your face

Touchdown

You Win

If you Believe

You can achieve

Never give up

RayJay

9th Grade

Friends

***They are always there for me
With a smile and love
Through all the tough challenges
I can count on them
Standing on my side
Telling me the truth
No fabrications or lies
We may not have the same blood
Or same DNA
But to me friends are family***

***Kaylin
8th Grade***

GOAT

furry, small

running, baa-ing, fighting

gray and white, horns

plant eating animal

Abdiel & Anthony

1st Grade

HAITI, MY COUNTRY

The land is wide
The ocean is elegant
The calm blue water washes my soul
It makes me feel joyful
The fresh juicy fruit
quenches my taste buds
That cool wind...
That cool water...
Washes the bad feelings away
This is my home
Beautiful, relaxing, calming
Haiti

Sabella
6th Grade

Hope

Hope means something good can happen.

Having hope can accomplish anything.

Do you want to do something? GO FOR IT!

Have hope & you can do something incredible.

Anything can happen as long as you have hope...

Nariya

4th Grade

I'll Be Just Fine

*I'm not rich, don't have a lot of money
but I'll be just fine.*

*The clothes I wear aren't my size, they're way too tight
but I'll be just fine.*

*I work real hard to be successful, keep trying to have strength
but I'll be just fine.*

*Sometimes I want to give up, just stop trying
but I keep telling myself, I'll be just fine.*

*I'm going to make it in life...I'm a woman with courage
you bet I'll be just fine.*

*Ma'Sani
6th Grade*

IT'S ALL ABOUT ME

HIP HOP, MOVING FAST ACROSS THE STAGE
MAKES ME FEEL ALIVE
MAKES ME FEEL LIKE I CAN DO ANYTHING!
LET'S DO THE NAE NAE AND GO CRAZY
PUT YOUR HANDS TO THE SKY DON'T BE LAZY
DON'T TRY TO BE SOMEONE YOU'RE NOT
JUST BE YOURSELF
I'M IN MY COMFORT ZONE
I DON'T CARE WHO SEES ME!
DANCING IS MY THING
I'LL MAKE EVERYONE BELIEVE ME!

DAZJON
5TH GRADE

Joy of Love

Happiness is something everyone experiences

The light brought out when smiling

Laughing so hard you can't breathe

Sharing moments with loved ones

Most exciting when love is brought into it

Acting goofy around the people you love

Revealing your other side

Heartbreak at some point in your life

Knowing your family and friends are there makes it better

All these moments create joyful memories

Loved ones make everything better no matter what

Allison

8th Grade

Life

Life is just a game

But you have to take it serious

Life can make you sad, mad, glad
and delirious.

Life can also be fun,

I know that from experience

A life you only get one

an it's a great experience

Knazier

7th Grade

Listen

A dark, yet colorful world

Our voices are the pigments in an auditory range

Express your feelings and share your notions

Get an insight on another's muse

Unfasten the lid on what's bottled up

Compress the negative, clamorous thoughts

Ignore the narcissistic nuisances

Be the epitome of intellectuality

Ponder the darkness and inspire yourself

Ashley

10th Grade

Math

Math is so much fun!

I never want it to be done.

I love to regroup and add.

I do my work on a pad.

I like to draw straight lines.

Sometimes they're crooked but that's fine.

I know six times eight is forty-eight.

Now you know MATH IS GREAT!

Eva

2nd Grade

Music

**You are a part of me.
You are my way of saying
What I want to say
You help me when I need help
You are my anchor that keeps me still
when I'm all over the place
You are my life -
What I'm living right now -
You are me!
You are music**

**Mia
8th grade**

Music

**Can you listen to
The music while
You stare at the moon?
Can you make a nice
Rhythm or a nice tune?
Do you ever wonder
What music is?
Just listen and find
Out what it is to you.**

**Mariana
4th Grad**

MY BROTHER

My brother is going to school.
He thinks that he is cool.
Today is his first day.
I wonder if he will play.
He brought a yellow blanket
And a fruit roll-up in his pocket.
He is my baby brother.
I don't have any other.

Nasir
2nd Grade

MY MOM

MY MOM IS SO SWEET
SHE ALWAYS CARES ABOUT ME
SHE HELPS ME WITH MY HOMEWORK
I HELP HER WITH HER HOUSEWORK
SHE IS THE BEST MOM IN THE WORLD!
THERE IS NO ONE BETTER THAN HER!
I LOVE HER SO VERY MUCH!

JOSEPH
2ND GRADE

My Paradise

So many beautiful colors
blue, green, peach, golden-brown
Sand soft as cotton,
pink like a baby's cheeks.
Feels like kisses on my feet
The water is a color,
like no other.
Clear as clean glass.
Sun setting
puff, puff, puff
Orange, yellow, blue
So many colors
So peaceful
No one to bother you
puerto Rico is like no other loving place

Diary
6th Grade

My Ride

Where should we go?
I think I might know
How will we get there?
It has to be good affair
Something comfortable and relaxing
Because I am just tired of asking
Then there it was waiting for us to meet
Right at the end of my neighborhood street
So just don't make a fuss
Come on lets take the bus

Sophia
6th Grade

ONE LIFE

If life is like a baby then put me straight to sleep
If evil is pitch black , then shine the sunlight please
Why is happiness expensive & problems are free
I'm tired of tricks & games that life brings to me
Why can't we all have happiness and be with who we want to be
I'm going to chase my dreams even if i had cuffs on my feet
life is crazy
lets stop pretending like nobody sinning
its not about who does what but more about who forgiven

Wilner
9th Grade

Parents

**I watch
I Listen
I Do**

Respect

Honor

Strength

Love

I Love, my parents

**Santi
7th Grade**

Peace in the World

**There should be peace in the world
Because where I live, bad things happen
I want to feel happy in my heart
I can if there is peace in the world**

**Nyzir
2nd Grade**

Peace is a state of tranquility

*Peace is a state of tranquility,
Rest for a person,
It is an agreement, understanding.
Between people who are not in conflict
Or who have reconciled,
The situation of a country which is not at war,
And for me being a student,
To become an intellectual and
Responsible as a man,
Is the key to peace for me.*

*Enock
11th Grade*

Peace is...

Winning a new game that you never beat before

Never giving up

Answering a lot of questions

Learning new things everyday

Making people happy again when they are sad

Standing up for people

Reading new books

Giving money to people who need it

It is respecting and helping others

London

2nd Grade

Peace to me is...

Families getting together

Laughter in the air

It tastes like ice cream

Giving money to the homeless

Getting a manicure

Learning new things

It is having a great teacher

Shayana

2nd Grade

Peace

With all the pain in the world,
we could use a bit of peace,
but we need to work together,
for it can't be done with ease.
We must end world violence,
to the best of our abilities.
Only then will the human race
find true tranquility.
Stop rudeness and war; start spreading serenity.
If pain is the poison, then peace is the remedy.

Dave
8th Grade

Peace
Calm, Quiet
Sleeping, Reading, Listening
Family, Violin, Tea, Nature
Hiking, Bathing, Traveling
Good, Nice
Peace

Mouhamed
5th Grade

¿Qué hacen los buenos amigos?

Los amigos se respetan

Los amigos pasan tiempo juntos

Los amigos te escuchan

Los amigos juegan juntos

Los amigos comparten

Los amigos colorean y pintan juntos

Los amigos leen juntos

Los amigos comen juntos

Los amigos se ayudan unos a los otros

Los amigos se ríen juntos

¡Los amigos se quieren mucho!

Miss R's Kindergarten Class

**Reading
Adventure, fun
Exciting, learning, enjoying
Reading takes people places
Learning**

**Alyssa & Angelice
1st Grade**

Reflection

**Staring at myself in the water
Ripples taking over my body
Shaking my image like an earthquake shakes a town
The wind stopped and the water calmed
I picked up a moss covered rock and
Threw it at my reflection not liking the
Stillness.**

**Colby
7th Grade**

Responsibility

I am responsible for doing my work
at Madison School
This is a way to be cool
My parents are proud of me too
And my teacher is headache free

Nicholas
2nd Grade

Running

The breeze knows me
The trees are cheerleaders waving their branches at me
The leaves scatter as I fly by
The wind carries me across the path
I feel strong
I feel free
I know nothing can stop me
I will chase all of my dreams

Running
Elizabeth Gallardo
8th Grade - Mrs. C Wright
John Winthrop

Safe and Secure

Riding on the GBTA Bus is a great experience

Drivers are nice and helpful

I feel at ease traveling around my town

Making friends

Saving money and going green

Always arriving happy and safely at my destination

Malachi

6th Grade

Sentimental Acts

Expressed in such Poetry.

Emotional Bounds

Exploding into yourself

Breaking from the chains

of irrelevance surely.

Fill with words,

the body that shows inner conscience,

Alas, fill the person

With lines of Poetry.

Ashley

7th Grade

Snowflake

cold icy

Unique

isolated

maybe I'm a snowflake ,

loved by kids,

hated by everyday commuters ,

but in the end I'm buried

with the rest

waiting to be pushed to the side

and left to melt into the drains.

Rain

9th Grade

Spring is Coming

Spring showers in the morning
Bumble bees beneath my knees
Butterflies high in the sky
Everyone has a bright day.
Butterflies in the air
Children skipping
Sun shining
Getting warmer
Spring is coming.

Maroah
6th Grade

Spring is here

Spring is here

The temperature is warmer

Plants and flowers are growing

Leaves and grass come back green

Baby birds are hatching

Raindrops make the plants healthy

Playing outside with friends

Going to the park on a nice day

Roller blading at the park

Spring is cool.

Mariha
6th Grade

Spring

Spring will ring a ding-ding.

The wing thing will sing.

See the funny bunny.

He likes the sunny, sunny.

Jennifer

1st Grade

Spring

The smell of the flowers and grass growing
fills the air with joy.

The sun warms us with pleasure.

The leaves grow on the trees
And stop falling to the ground.

Jeyleen
6th Grade

Statue of Liberty

Somewhere around New York State

Is a statue not representing sadness or hate

Its freedom this statue stands for

From the country France we're grateful I'm sure

What's the name of this statue exactly you say?

That represents America's liberty

The Statue of Liberty

Julia

6th Grade

Teenage Struggle

**When you're a teenager
Life is hard
You try and push through
But in the end you just get scarred
Your parents say "Oh, you have nothing to
worry about"
Yet they don't know everyday your filled
with doubt
High-school and being a teenager is a worldwind
You just have to find peace within**

**Tahmar
9th Grade**

The 100 Days of School Poem

100 days of school

100 days of school

100 words

100 birds

100 books

100 hooks

100 days of school

Mrs. E's Kindergarten Class

The Meadow

When the sun was fairly low in the sky,
I ventured into the dark woods with a sigh,
For I was heading to my secret place,
Excited, I hastily picked up the pace.
I arrived out of breath at the golden hour,
When the sun was blazing on the edge of the thriving meadow,
I shout with joy, Hearing my voice echo.
I looked around my secret world,
Trying to find them as I twirled.
My smile suddenly stretched from ear to ear,
Finally spotting them, a family of deer!

Amberlyn
5th Grade

THE NIGHT

THE ROOM SHINES BRIGHT
THE MOON IS OUT
NO SPOT IN THE ROOM WHERE ITS DARK
LOOK INTO THE MOON
THE BRIGHTNESS GLEAMING ON YOUR FACE
THE STARS SHINING LIKE ANGELS
WHAT A BEAUTIFUL NIGHT

TAVARY
9TH GRADE

The Pen

**He lifted his pen ever so slightly
Words spilled from his pen onto the paper
His hand glided across the paper like a soaring eagle in the sky
He dipped his pen in and out of the ink at lightning speed
His face mirrored his words
His sentences sailed across the paper like ships in the waves**

**As the lines started to fade,
he dipped his pen in the ink one last time
When he pulled back,
his hand bumped the bottle.**

It began to rock

**Back and forth...Back and forth
Until...**

SPALT!!!!

**Colby & Julissa
7th Grade**

The River Flows

Sun shines on the water
behold the different colors
yellow, red, blue
shimmering like diamonds
I proceed into the soothing water
calmness comes over me
the river flows smoothly
we are peaceful

Betsy
6th Grade

The Talking Book

O' wise book with unread knowledge you hold.
How you softly speak to me with depressed whispers.
When I speak to you the loud screams of the world become
hushed, unable to touch me.
When I'm close to finishing you, you encourage me to see how
your saga ends.
Talking book how sad I know you are when I reach your end,
but don't worry my friend , surely one day I'll come back again.

Paris
6th Grade

The waterfall

*My eyes were watery
like the sink dripping
the sun was in my face
the beautiful waterfall
was sparkling like glitter
and rhinestones it was the
treasure of the waterfall.*

Brenda

5th Grade

This is Peace

**As musical as a child's laughter,
As fierce as strong-willed words,
Never did a man, not ever feel peace
For peace is wild and fun!**

**Samantha
8th Grade**

Trip to Russia

**Hot summer day in Moscow, taking a walk
All of a sudden heard heavy footsteps behind me
Looked back to my surprise people of all ages
Rushing to get somewhere
Saw beautiful, tall buildings that make me speechless
Stopped by a park, played with kids
Met someone who spoke English
She hugged me, I felt welcomed
Smelled aroma like a fried chicken
Which was a pancake with apple wrapped in it**

**Olabisi
10th Grade**

Up in the bus

Up in the bus

The passengers can see

Many neighborhoods of Park City

Houses, libraries, many people and cars

Flowers, parks and even butterflies

Round and round goes the bus

Taking the people where when want to go

Sarai

1st Grade

¡Viva la vida!

The bus goes around and around
En mi ciudad de Bridgeport
I also go around with my family
A mi me gusta ir a la playa
To play, jugar, cantar y bailar
¡Viva la vida!

¡Viva la vida!

Areli Vargas Oaxaca

1st Grade

Multicultural Magnet

**Weekend
Fun, rest
Playing, sleeping, exercising
I love the weekend
Perfect**

**Orci-Joel
1st Grade**

What Is Happiness?

Happiness comes in a variety of ways,
Some say it comes in peace,
Others say it comes in friendships,
But I believe it comes from within,
The heart
Happiness

Sara
8th Grade

what is life

life is what life is
you live and you die
you give and receive
you eat and you sleep
you go to school you go back home
you're feeling to be redeeming
you seeing then you believing
you dreaming then you wake up
then you find out what life really is.

Tavary
9th Grade

What is Peace?

Peace is the feeling of receiving gifts on Christmas morning,
The happiness of eating dinner with your family on Thanksgiving,
Going to the beach on a hot day and having a refreshing ice cold lemonade drink,
Peace is the food that you eat every day,
The bed you get in every night,
The dreams you have of the meadow in the valley,
Peace is the reason quarters are silver and pennies are brown,
Is that what peace is?

Amir
6th Grade

What Makes a Good Friend?

Friends respect one another

Friends listen to each other

Friends play together

Friends share

Friends color and paint together

Friends read together

Friends eat together

Friends always help one another

Friends laugh together

Friends love one another very much!

Miss R's Kindergarten Class

what people think

people say that I'm stressed.

They say I'm judged.

They say I'm weird,

I'm teased,

I'm bullied,

I'm dumb,

I'm stupid,

I'm not smart enough.

I HAVE A PURPOSE IN LIFE AND SO DO YOU!!!

Kayla

5th Grade

What Shapes the World

Decagon, designed as dimension
Octagon, constructed as diamond
Hexagon, made as origami
Pentagon, sided as the stars
Square, built as buildings
Triangle, thrice as a pyramid
Circle, whole as the sun

Robert
12th Grade

Where Is The You

**Where is the you
I used to know
Where did all of those
Wonderful things go
Like your laugh
Or your smile
Or just being you?**

**Alexa
7th Grade**

Who will give you freedom

Who will give you freedom if you don't ask for it?

Who will give it to you? You must just take it.

Who will let you free if you don't fight for it?

Who will understand you if you don't speak?

Who will make it real if you don't?

Let`s stand up and speak our mind.

Let`s learn from our past and make the future.

Let`s tell everyone that we are one.

Abonga

12th Grade

Without Music

MUSIC

Fun and exciting

Happy, Sad, Angry

Screaming, Loud, Soft

Rock, Jazz, Heavy Metal, Rap

So many genres, so many styles

Without music

Our world

Would be

BORING

Jeancarlos

8th Grade

You Earned Your Life

You earned your life
And you deserve it!
So don't give up
You can do it!
Whatever you want to be
It's your choice
Don't let anyone decide your life
Because it's yours
So live your life to the fullest
And be the brightest star!!!

Ahmad
8th Grade