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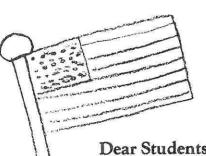
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# Greasures and Dreams

February 2000 to June 2000

The Literary Magazine of the Lower School
University School of Nova Southeastern University







Dear Students, Parents and Faculty,

We know you will enjoy this issue of <u>Treasures and Dreams</u>. The pages are filled with beautiful writing from our Lower School students. Our goal is to promote and encourage high quality written expression by the students of the University School. Judging from the pieces represented here, we believe we have achieved our goal.

Most prominent in this issue are themes involving appreciating and protecting the Earth. Earth Day celebrations created many opportunities to write, and teachers and students used those opportunities to produce some of the fine written pieces included here.

Many thanks to the student staff for your enthusiasm, great ideas and beautiful artwork. Many weeks you gave up special class activities to be a part of this project and it is truly appreciated.





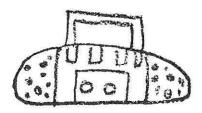
Special thanks to the classroom teachers for inspiring your young writers to create beautiful writing. Treasures and Dreams depends on your enthusiasm and ability to motivate your students. Thanks always to Dr. Brennan for your continued support of this project.



Students, we hope our magazine will encourage and inspire you to continue writing over the summer. Happy reading!

Sincerely,

Nancy Cantor, Editor

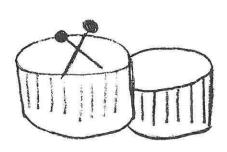


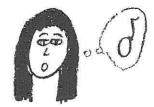
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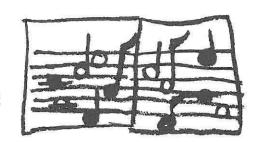








# The Magic of Music



The Joy of Music

Music brings everyone joy,
Whether you are a girl or boy.
You can play piano or toot the kazoo,
With any instrument you can
play many tunes.

You don't have to be
Tina Turner or Madonna,
Just sing any song and pretend
you're Frank Sinatra.

I like to listen to songs and sing aloud,
But the lyrics go better
with rhythm or sound.
So that is the end of my little tune,

Everyone loves to listen to music under the sun or shining moon.

**Josh Roberts** 

Grade 5

NO III

Music

Music is not just singing and dancing
It's instruments that make
music enchanting.
Music doesn't play around,
Music can be an incredible sound.
When you listen to music you sing,
That is when the chimes ring.
Here's an idea, let's sing a song,
If you want to you can sing along.
So if you hear a song,
Remember this and you can sing along,

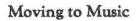
**Todd Siff** 



Music is in our lives forever

So don't forget music ever.

Grade 5



Music helps you in many ways,
It keeps you moving, it soothes the days.
There is country, rap, and classical too,
It doesn't matter, it is up to you.
Britney Spears and Backstreet Boys,
Music is made for girls and boys.
Dancing is very neat,
If you have the rhythm and the beat.
If you're in the car or on a plane,
Music will always be the same.
So turn up the volume
and listen to the beat,
If guarantee you will end up

turn up the volume and listen to the beat, brantee you will end up moving your feet.

Alexa Levinson

Grade 5

Music

Music is a very good thing,
With it I like to sing.
It warms the soul with its beat,
When I hear it I move my feet.
Music has a nice little tune,
I listen to it in the afternoon.
In my bedroom, or in my car,

Music takes me far.

Tickling the ivories,
pounding the drums,

The flow of music naturally comes.
You should play an instrument or two,

You don't want music to go without you.

Shaina Weinstein







## A Time for All Seasons

A Nice Day in May

It is a nice day today.

Flowers are so beautiful to smell.

It's a really nice time in May,

I have so many people to tell.

Jackie Behar

Grade 2

## December

December is my favorite month,
My birthday is in December.
Hanukkah and Christmas
are in December too.
Winter is my favorite season

and it is in December.
We have school vacation,
Also a lot of relaxation.

In the North they have a lot of snow,
I would love to see
the snow blow, blow.

Winter sports are my favorite thing.

I like winter better than spring.

Alec Zavell

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Grade 2

Summer Day

I feel as hot as an elephant. I see the branch over my head. It looks like a hand reaching out for me. I hear the sound of an airplane flying over me. One by one the airplanes come over my head. I feel the wind blowing in my face making me shiver. I hear the birds singing in my ear.

Nina Campanile

Grade 2

Summer Day

A sizzling day of sunlight blazed upon my life, on this summer day.
Scorching wildly full of fire, on this summer day.
The sun is as bright as ever, on this summer day.
Sweat beads dance upon my face,

Then night falls and the heat simmers, and we're happy again, on this summer night.

on this summer day.

Nicole Dodich

Grade 2

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Rainy Day

See dark clouds up in the sky

Like dark diamonds flying high,
You know that rain is on its way,
Like speeding traffic on a freeway,
It starts to rain,
you hear drops on the floor,
Like pounding feet outside your door,
Let's play inside and never get bored,
Like a brave knight with a
shiny new sword.

Arielle Bodzin

Grade 4

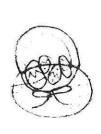


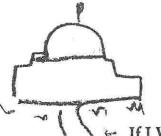
April

April is the time to play, except on a rainy day, My birthday is in April too, In April the sky is really blue, Don't forget about Easter too.

Ashley Appell









## People Power



If I Were President

If I were president I would help protect animals. I would plant more trees and cut down less. I would also make one day from every year that everything is free.

Rachel Ezrol



Grade 2

Vote For Me!

If I was the president I would change one major thing. I would change pollution. I would have people on highways with a piece of paper and a pencil. They would see all the people litter and they would take their license plate numbers. Then those people would get a call that said, "If you litter one more time, you will get a fine of \$20." I hope some day I do become president and the amount of litter does change.

Jillian Goldstein



LITTER

My Ideas

If I was the president I would stop bomb and gun sales. I would stop cutting trees in the forest. I would give money to the poor and make new medicines that can cure new sicknesses.

Alex Scarnechia





Grade 2



The Exciting Man

He flies, he soars through the spotlight, the man, Vince Carter. You could never be like number 15 with that smooth purple jersey and those plays. He wins games and makes the fans cheer. That dark purple line, the arm of Tracy McGrady flashes like lightning. The ball, that smooth ball, flies in the hands of Vince Carter. His feet move slowly back. He lets you know he is going to get ready for the shot. But no one knows he will fake. He takes three steps and dunks the ball and shakes that red rim. The announcer says, "He scores!" But he doesn't just score, he fires. The spin dunk makes the fans crazy. Their heads go bonkers. He is the number one Slam magazine model.

Jake Silver



Grade 2

**President Story** 

If I were president I would change a few things. First I would make smoking illegal. Another thing I would change would be to help more homeless and foodless people. The last thing I would change would be to make homes a lot safer so it would be harder for intruders to get in people's houses. That's what I would change if I were president!

Cassie Gubnitsky





## The Power of the Earth

Special Earth

Earth, it's so special. It's one of a kind. Home of people, animals and plants. Kids of Mother Earth love to play on her green grass. The summer sun shines down on old Mother Earth so warm and gentle. The blue sky is full of birds. That is why we take care of Mother Earth. It's so important.

Jordan Weiss

Grade 1



Planet Earth

Far below the stars
Is a place

Full of life, flowers, and plants
And inside of that is a wonderful place
Full of metallic colors
Zooming from here to there.

Lauren Reiser

Grade 2

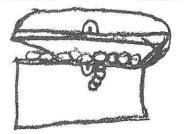


I Love the Earth

I love the Earth,
I hope you do too,
If you hurt Mother Nature,
She'll hurt you!
So save the Earth,
Treat it as a treasure,
ts importance is easy to measure.

Samantha Boden

Grade 4



The Perfect Place

Earth! Earth! Earth! You come in peace. Earth, the perfect place for me. I like the animals. I like the plants too. But most of all I love Earth! The birds sing, I like it. The trees give me oxygen, I like that. The Earth takes care of everybody. So we should take care of it, too. Recycle, don't pollute, don't cut down trees, please! We will take care of Earth and we will take care of the animals too. So we are taking care of us too!



Staci Hill

Grade 1

#### Earth

When Earth is covered all in green 'Tis the most beautiful sight to be seen Earth's a place where animals roam And where they make their home The trees can grow so very tall Earth provides life for us all.



Grade 4

#### The Moon

The gleaming shine in the moon, it's like the sun but it's not. Its glow lights up the midnight sky. The stars' shine follows the moon wherever it goes. Flying, soaring, throughout the night sky. I can't resist the beauty. The moon shines so bright, it's breaking the night sky.

Alex Sterling



## Earth's Creatures

In the Everglades

Pelicans flying in formation Over the river of grass. Blue and green sparkling water As smooth as glass.

Clouds floating like powder puffs Guarding the turtles' birth The shells in the sand whisper to man

"Save the Earth."



Tropical Earth

Birds float through the trees All in a colorful flock On a silent night.

Barbra Giourgas Grade 5

David Grosby





A Caterpillar's Life

Birds, snakes, fish, and frogs, They chirp, slither, swim, and leap, Which the eye can see.

Michael Shawn



The caterpillar Makes a cocoon around him G A butterfly comes.

Alfred Stein



White Ibis



Your feathers look brand new, The very clouds Must envy your pearly hue! Your handsome curved beak, And legs so red and long. Are what make you so pretty, When you sing the marshland's song.

When you fly, You do not flap, but glide, A white shadow displayed, Against a sapphire sky. White Ibis.

Bonnie Eisenstadt



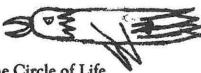
The Pond

Visiting the pond Watch the little tadpole swim Soon it'll be a frog.

Jenny Nordal Marilyn Reyes

Grade 3 Grade 3





The Circle of Life

The baby is born As it grows, animals grow It dies, life goes on.

Steven Lechter Grade 5





## Treasure Trees

Earth's Trees

Mother Earth

The Earth is a beautiful place, to be enjoyed by people of every race. From north to south, east to west, We must take care of our trees to keep Earth its best. From our mountains to shining sea,

Trees create woods, forests, and beautiful places for you and me. They shade us and protect us

> in many ways, They even provide parks in which we play.

Pollution can take all the beauty away. By killing our trees this very day. So save our trees and you will be saving our Earth at the same time.

And all our worries will be fine.

Mother Earth is full of surprises. To trees, to grass, to flowers, to ferns, Mother Earth is beautiful. Mother Earth, like a giving tree. It gives all to us.

Kayla Fishman

Grade 2

Trees Mean Everything to Me

When the roots come up and start to sprout, Hydration happening, there is no drought.

Soon to come are blazing green leaves, Off those short little stump trees, All of the trees looking their best, Each one of them having a nest, When a tree is growing

it touches my heart, Taking me back right to the start, Trees are there for us to live, Now what do we have from us to give? Ourselves.

Stephanie Freeman

Grade 5

Liza Charnack

Grade 4

Trees give us shade and Very gently sweep the sky With their fragile leaves.

Jonathan Green Grade 3

Tree

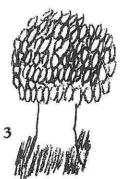
Tall and mighty strong The tree stands forever long As tall as the sky

Michael Marino Grade 5

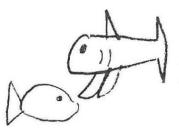
Oak Tree

Hot sun facing Earth I am under the oak tree Shadows make me cool.

Marcus Friedman Grade 3







# Fantasy Fun



the family.

The Three Little Fish and the Big Bad Shark

Once upon a time there were three little fish, named Goldy, Smile and Swimmy. One day their mother said it's time to go out into the wild and make houses for yourself. So the first little fish saw a farmer fish, with seaweed. The little fish made himself a house of that seaweed. The second little fish made his house out of sand and the third little fish made his house out of alligator skin. He was the brains of

One day a shark saw the first fish's house. He banged on the door. "Let me in, you scaly fins." "NO NO NO! Not by the scales on our chinny chin chins." "Then I'll whack your house." So he whacked his tail on the seaweed house and it fell down. The fish ran to the second little fish's house and shivered.

The shark came to the second little fish's house and said, "Little fishes let me in by your scaly fins." "NO NO NO! Not by the scales on our finny fin fins." "Then I'll whack your house down." Guess what? He whacked that sand house down. Then they ran to the third little fish's house.

The shark came by and said. "Little fishes let me in." "NO NO NO NO! Not by the scales on our finny fin fins." Then I'll whack your house down. He tried but it did not come down. The shark said, "I'll go through the window." Then they put a pot of hot puffer fish stew next to the window. "Ouch!" said the shark, and he never went there again.

Grade 1 Alex Pilaski

The Boy and the Dog

Once there was a boy who had a dog. Now that dog was not a dog, but it was a cat dog. They had fun all the time. They went walking in the park and rode on their bike. They were very good. One day they found out that there was a new family in town and their names were the Stuarts. They were made of 100 girls. They were very nice!!!

Chad Klitzman

My Magic Umbrella

My name is Eric. I have a magic umbrella. It is very powerful. It could fly to the sky. It is red and blue on the top and purple on the handle. When the rain hits my umbrella the rain disappears. My umbrella is the best.

Eric Ginsberg

Grade 2

If I Were a Frog

While I sit near the frogs, I william wonder how it would be if I were a frog. swimming in deep lakes, hopping all over town. It would be hard not getting killed. It would be fun croaking all night long. I just wish to be one for a day, staying in a frog's sweet body. If I could pick an animal to switch with, it would be a frog. So if you see one catch it for me.

Colby Migicovsky











## The Real World

Living and Learning

As we get older, we learn from our experiences. Each day is a learning experience. From age one to one hundred, we learn something new each day. Take each day as it comes, and learn from it. Take advantage of your life and enjoy it. Although I am only ten, I speak from experience.

My first real friend was a girl named Sarah. I met her when I was one year old. When we were in Second Grade, they moved. We still keep in touch, though. Once I went to visit Sarah in Cincinnati, and she comes to Florida sometimes, too. Still, I miss her very, very much.

When I was seven years old, I learned how to ride a two-wheel bicycle. It was scary. My mother made me look both ways before crossing the street. I got really upset when I couldn't ride for a week because I didn't look. I have to wear a helmet. It is annoying, but it keeps me safe. I'd rather feel dorky with a helmet than dead without one. BE SAFE!

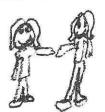
This past summer, I went to the Florida Keys and swam with dolphins. The dolphins were very obedient, and one tried to kiss me without being told! We had them give us a ride, a hug, and a kiss! That was truly the best experience of my life.

Recently, I went to Naples to take a special test for a Duke University program that I was accepted into. It was very hard, and it took two hours to complete. It is a great academic achievement for me.

Now you have heard a few great highlights of my life. Every day, something good happens. Learn to bask in this glory.

**Emilie Ashbes** 

Grade 5







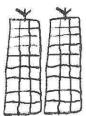
Memories

One very important highlight of fifth grade was getting into the BCCTM math team. BCCTM is a math team made up of five hardworking math students. To get into the team, you have to take a test. I placed third, so I made the team. Now that I am on the team, we practice twice a week. You have to be very dedicated to math to be on this team. We have a very special coach who takes his free time to help us. At the end of the practicing, we will go to a competition in Broward County. Last year we won and did not have such a great coach and that is why I think we will win easily. I have been picked captain of the team again. I hope we win the competition this year!!

Bradley Freed



Grade 5



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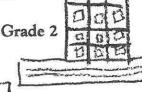
World Trade Center

Top of the World 107 stories high. The lights of the city sparkled at sunset.

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Candace Phillips Gr

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# Spring is in the Air



Spring is here
I've been waiting all year
For the flowers to blossom
I saw a possum
Spring is here
Bees are buzzing all day long
It sounds like a beautiful song
Birds go tweet
It sounds so sweet
Spring is here.



Grade 3

#### Spring!

Spring, Spring, it's in the air!
Spring, Spring, it's everywhere!
It's in the trees and flowers too!
I hope Spring brings joy—
TO YOU!

Kids are playing, they laugh and sing!
Ha, ha, ha, swing, swing, swing!
They play in the sun,
The water too,
I hope Spring brings joy—
TO YOU!

Brittnie Baker

Grade 4

#### Spring

The day is nice with the sun shining over the pond,
I couldn't hope for a better day
Even if I had a magic wand.
I love spring for all its things,
Especially for what the
Easter bunny brings.

Alex Perlman

Grade 2



When Spring comes the flowers start blooming,
When Spring comes there is warmth in the air,
When Spring comes it starts

to get pretty, When Spring comes bears come out

of their lairs,
When Spring comes animals start
to have babies,

When Spring comes you can hear their cries,

When Spring comes bugs start emerging,

When Spring comes you can see lots of flies,

When Spring comes I am always happy, When Spring comes I am never sad.

Stephanie Fisher

Grade 3

Make Way For Spring

Make way, people,
Make way for Spring,
With the warm weather
And flowers it brings.
With holidays like Easter,
St. Patrick's Day too,
This year this Spring,
Is sure not to be blue.
You can go out swimming,
Without freezing your arms,
And Spring is planting season,

For most farms.

Frankie DeSalvo

Keep Earth Clean



Save the Earth! It is fun to do. Pick up the trash and do what you are supposed to do. Clean the Earth, clean it now. Let's clean the earth, wow, wow, wow! Cleaning the Earth is lots of fun. Clean the Earth, everyone. You should clean the Earth, it's fun to do. You over there, clean the Earth too.

Your Mission

Earth, Earth is so great, It's the best, what's to hate. Plant a seed, grow a tree, And make the land beautiful to see. The Earth is in really bad condition. So clean it up and make it your mission.

Zack T. Perlman

Grade 4

Erica Wilner /

Grade 1

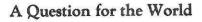
Earth Day

E is for everything the world means to me. A is for the animals that live and share the Earth. R is for recycling, a thing we must do, anyone can help, even you. T is for the trees. they help the planet breathe. H is for a happy world, a thing that we must keep. D is for dandelion, daisy and daffodil,

flowers help us breathe. A is for amphibians that live in and out of water. Y is for you who can help save Mother Earth.

Grade 2 Joey Silver



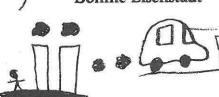


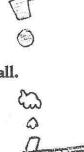
Why did they destruct the earth, To build a shopping mall, I'll admit it's handy, But fake trees don't turn red in the fall. They paved a healthy marshland, To build a parking lot, It seems until we've lost it, We don't know what we've got. Alas, gone is a rainforest, They burned it to the ground, And covered it with grass, So men could graze their cows. Soon our planet will be poisoned, We'll have to find a new home, The trees will all be dead,

The water dirty foam. Until someone can rescue, The land, the sea, the sky, I pose mankind a question,

Why?

Bonnie Eisenstadt











## Mother Earth

Welcome to Yellow Stone

A Better Place

Mother Earth is losing its place,
We are wrecking its face,
Maybe we can pick up the pace,
We can make it a better place,
We are ruining the human race.

David Eiber

Grade 2

#### Earth Day

Earth Day is the day that people of all kinds
Take strides towards a better world
To prevent slipping through
the door of extinction
But staying behind the door of life
To stop the pollution that puts
all living things in danger
And wastes the beauty that once
dwelled around us
It is our chance to conserve the Earth
The Earth that stands out
like a rose in a valley of weeds
If all humans got together

Not only to make Earth better
But to thank Earth for giving us life
And the Earth that we would see
Would show us that we hold the power
The Power to make Earth all that it can be.

to help Mother Nature

Myles Karp

Grade 4

#### Waterfall

Water streams through the bumpy rocks of the waterfall. All the water splashes and turns white and blue. Tiny green plants grow carefully around the rocks.

Iulie Fliegenspan

Grade 2

A Story of Yellowstone Park

Once upon a time a long time ago lived a little girl who was not happy. She had no friends but was very rich. Her favorite color was yellow. So she was in a worn out yellow shirt. She had a stone for a best friend. She was getting bored so she went to a big valley, where she rolled and played. For once the girl was happy. All magical things happened there. The girl ran home to tell her mother. "I want a piece of land. I will call it Yellowstone Park." It was a park in Wyoming. All thanks to the little girl.

Marla Borkson

Grade 3

Earth Day Message Earth

Amazing Round Terrific Home

Do you want to destroy all this?

Madeline Porsella

Grade 2

#### All Around Me

Cool air whizzing through my hair children chatting up a storm touching, feeling everything they see.

Two iguanas as still as statues

Trees all around me
Earth all around me...
Birds humming all different tunes
over and over again.

Tennis balls swooping down like eagles.

Wind all around me berries all around me friends all around me.



Nicola Wood



## Think About It

A Gloomy Battle

The one shaking soldier
Afraid to be a deserter
Stood in the gloomy battlefield
Wondering what had happened
to the world.

All the commotion, abuse, fighting, killing

He wanted to throw down his weapons.

Some soldiers sick with pneumonia

Some were dead Some families wept Holding the dead ones' medals.

Myles Karp

Grade 4

### Life



Life is a gift, don't waste it.
When you have a pain,
Life is the best medicine.
When your gift is lost,
and you can't find it,



Grade 3

Then your world comes crashing down.

#### Samantha Cossin



Fire

Fire lit bright

So sorry for the people that live inside
The house is flames

Flames fall so far down
Red-hot light comes from the roof
Feeling the fire fall from the roof
Sparks sprinkle down into dust.



A Reason to Live

As the Jews were rounded up
And their possessions taken away
One could see the fright in their eyes
Pleading not to die today.
As families got on trains to lead them

As families got on trains to lead them to the camps

They walked right into death's arms
Their nightmares coming alive
As though somebody had set off
death alarms.

As they were taken off the trains and given old clothes A little boy said to his mom, "I want to die when I am old." And as the boy was taken away from his mom

She knew she could only do what she was told.

As the mother worked she worried for her son

She could not do anything until her work was done.

Across the yard she heard the Nazis say,
"That little boy will perish
in the gas chambers today."

Why didn't G-d protect those people, Those people with so much hope With their deaths their families

could not cope

As that mother was rescued by the U.S.

She thought she had left

with so much less

Her son, her reason to live, had died, And now she had no hope, no reason to survive.

So as we remember the six million Jews who died only a few decades ago,
We ask G-d to spare our souls

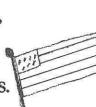
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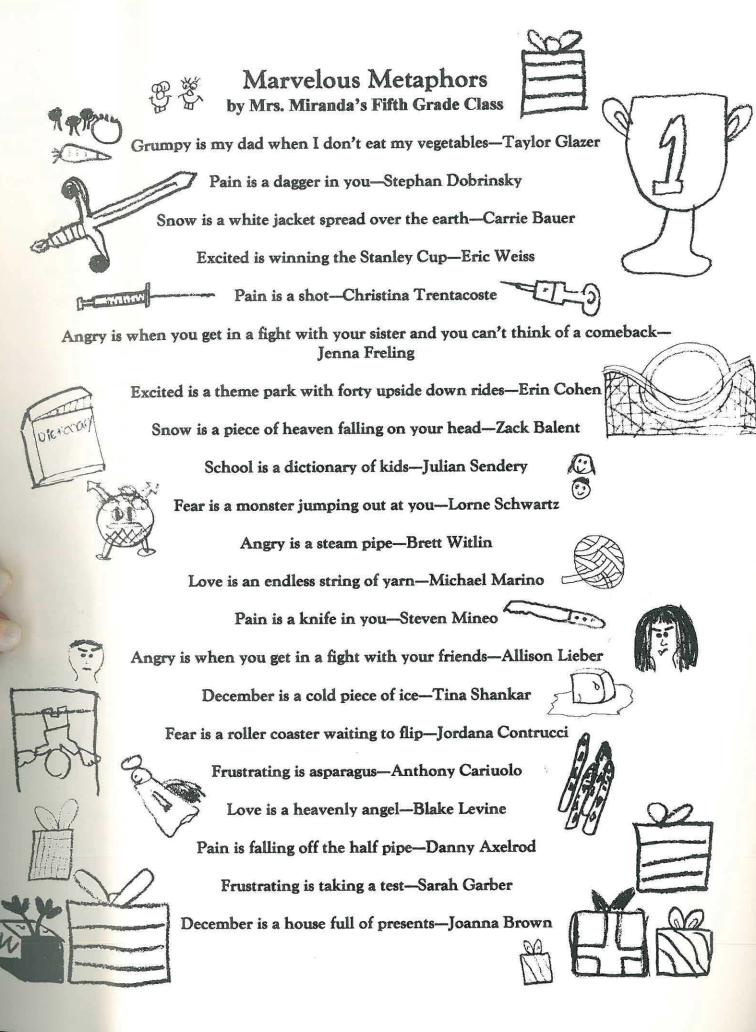
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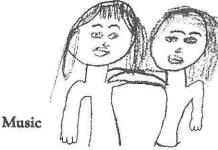








## Time for Music



The Importance of Music

Music is very important to life. It makes you feel good inside. Songs sound good when people sing, It gives the song a special ring. I like to talk about music with my friends. I hope music never ends. Music isn't only singing

But the instruments are very interesting. I like the lyrics too, They always sound good in rap or the blues. I like the rhythm in all music. I love all music.

Grade 5

Music can show people how you feel When you're hurt it can help you heal

Music is not just lyrics and some noise

But the joy it brings to all girls and boys. The joy of music always

warms my heart

And when the song's done I play it again

from the start. With music in our lives our souls are soaring But a world without music

would be so boring. Music is something that everyone can share

in every nation. From country music to hip-hop, there was music in every generation.

You can listen to music at any time to soothe the soul. It could be a lullaby or even

rock and roll.

Kelsey Miller- Alfero

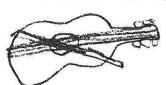
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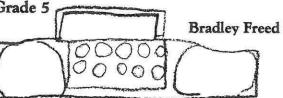
Music Is...

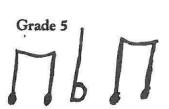
Music is instruments playing, Music is sound with a ting. Music is so much more. Music is the king of all kings. Music is keys on a piano. Music is the beginning of joy, Music is about famous people, Music is notes from a boy. Music is about memories. Music is for a good feel.

Music is everything. Music is sold for a nice steal.

Heather Bamberg







and dancing.

Steven Flaxman

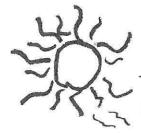
Music, Music

Music, music, it brings joy to my heart, Music, music, it's a different way of art.

When you sing don't have any fears, You are not supposed to sound like Britney Spears.

Music makes me want to dance. To my favorite music artist, Lance. When I hear people sing, I like to do my favorite thing.

Which is to sing along. To my favorite song.



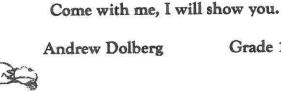
# The Beauty of Nature



Light, dark, shining star Night and day, last a lifetime Beautiful as you

Todd Siff

Grade 5



Andrew Dolberg

Grade 1

Beautiful Day

Earth Day

The Earth is green and also blue.

God made us and the Earth too. Please keep it clean. I forgot to tell you,

It is dirty,



Clouds like white cheese puffs Trees like mother birds protecting their young The grass like thousands of people dancing Bushes like small jungles. The whirling wind a hawk flies like a father watching the world.

Mother Nature

All of these, these small puzzle pieces

fit just right to make Mother Nature, our mother. watch over us

Mitchell Rogers

Grade 2



Outside

I hear the birds chirping through the gentle sky. I think those heavy clouds are very unique. I think the raindrops will fall like the sizzling sun's sweat onto my nose. chirp

Laura Diga



The glimmering sun is heating up my head. I can hear the wonderful sound of the birds singing. The sound of the airplane going by makes a loud noise that crackles my ears. The leaves look like they are sizzling on a big grill. The tree looks like a giant sword coming out of the ground.

Carly Ciricillo

Grade 2

Flower

One flower grows here On a beautiful sunny day Blooming in bright red.

J.D. Odom

Grade 3



The wind is hard, the grass is still, The birds are flying from tree to tree, It is a beautiful sight in this spot of nature.

Alec Epstein





