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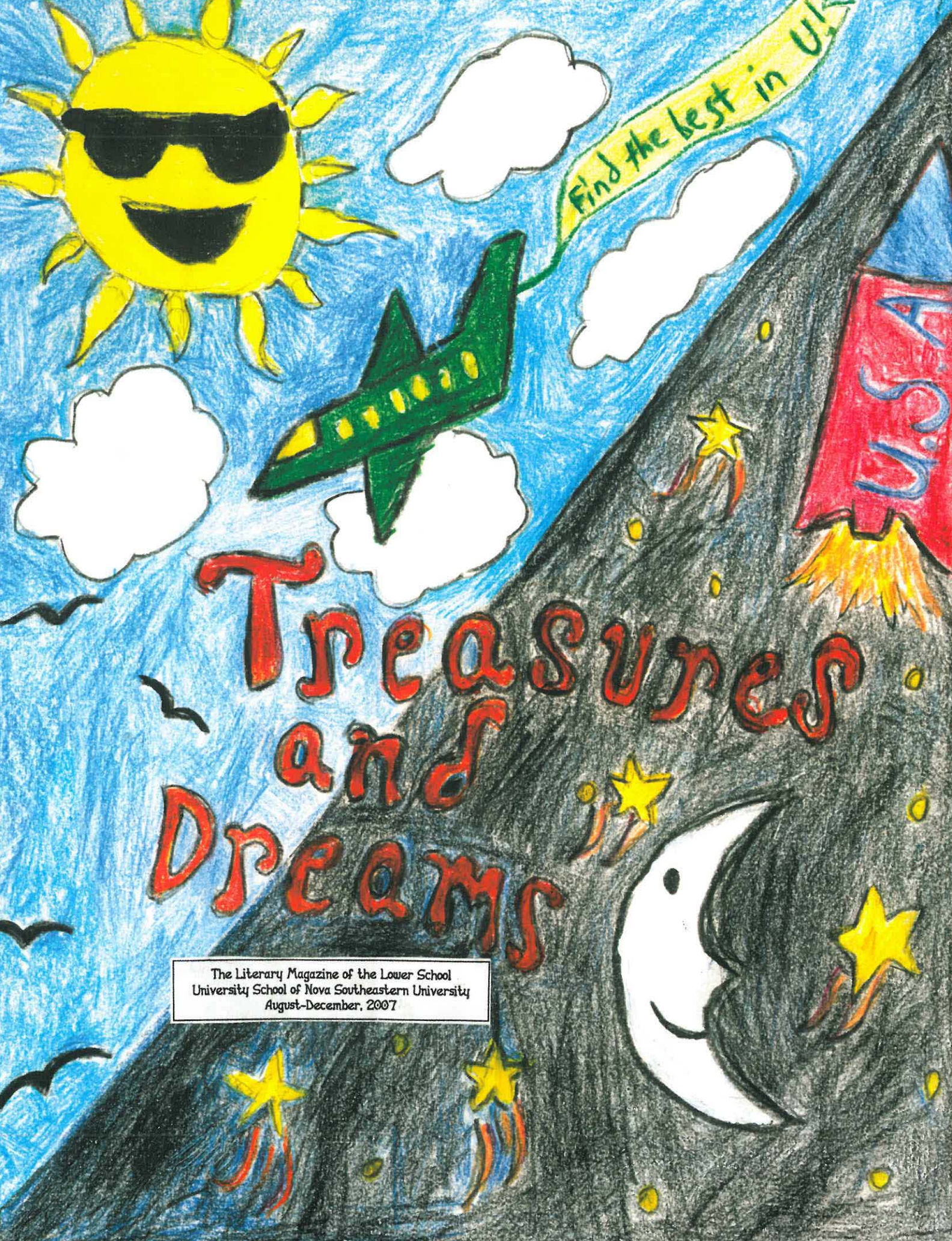
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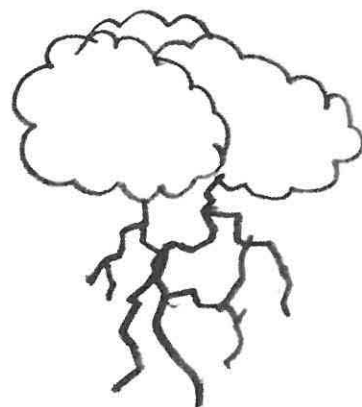
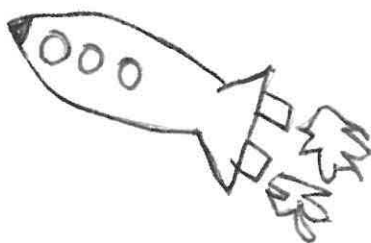
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Find the best in UK

Treasures and Dreams

The Literary Magazine of the Lower School
University School of Nova Southeastern University
August-December, 2007



Dear Students, Parents and Faculty,

Although "Find the Best in U" has been the University School slogan for a short time, the concept is not new to this publication. Treasures and Dreams has been "finding the best" in our students since 1995. Our objective has always been to encourage and motivate our young writers to produce high quality writing. Of course, this can only be accomplished with the dedicated efforts of the classroom language arts teachers. They are the ones who instruct and inspire our students to produce the excellent writing contained within these pages. Enjoy!

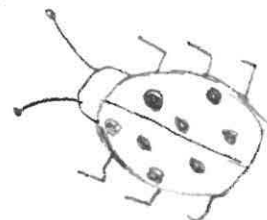


The student staff members this session were a wonderful group. They were enthusiastic and lively, and we had great fun working together on the beautiful artwork which so enhances the written pieces here. Thank you to them for creating such an attractive issue. A special thank-you to our administrative team for their continued support of this endeavor.

I encourage all Lower School students to read this issue carefully, and take notice of the wonderful writing contained within. Hopefully, you will be inspired to find the best in YOU with your own creative written expression.

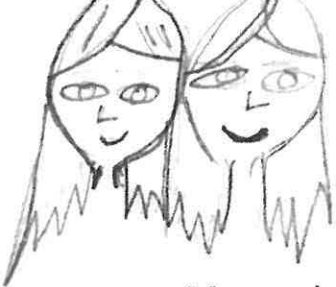
Sincerely,

Nancy Cantor, Editor

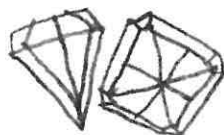


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My Mom



People Power



Painting a Piece



My mom is more beautiful than roses in bloom. She is more beautiful than perfume in an expensive glass bottle. She is more caring than everyone in the world put together. She is worth more than all the gold, rubies, diamonds, pearls, silver, jewelry, money and places in the world. My mom is an important character in my life. Her skin stays warm when the cool winter breeze slashes across my face. Her soft voice comforts me when I am sad. Her lips are as pink as a bear's nose. I love my mom!

Swishing, swirling, swerving and stirring, my brush immerses itself deep within the oily, opaque water. My brush comes out with an enormous glob of paint and its color pierces my eyes from its brightness. Now shallow, the cup is empty and the paint is soaked into the brush. My hand collides with the sturdy cardboard and paint splatters onto my hand. I slip pieces of paper towel over my arms and wipe it over my soft skin. I have a masterpiece.

Sophie Pearl



Grade 3



The Shining Star

A friend is a person that is kind.
A friend is a person who is loyal.
A friend is a person that brings a light in your heart.

A friend is a person who brings joy to your life.

A friend is a person who helps you.

A friend is a person who is good-natured and is always there for you.

A friend is someone who likes you for what you are and not what you look like or wear.

A friend is a person who you can love and they can love you back.

A friend is a person who is a shining star in your dark, dreary life.

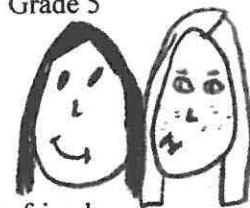


Rachel Sereix



Grade 5

The Friendship



Friendship is a ship with all my friends and me on it,

Sailing on water as cold as ice,
We better not fall in or our hearts turn to ice.

This friendship of ours has everything we need
A jamboree of food, water, clothes.
Our friendship sparkles like diamonds,

Binding us for life,
When our friendship runs smoothly

The sides of the Friendship is as smooth as glass,
If someone gets hurt we take care of them until they get better.

Come visit me on this friendship of mine.



Liat Shuflita

Grade 4



Going to My Home Away from Home

Sweat forms in my hands as I leave my parents and board the plane. I am so excited to see my friends Jennifer and Rudy. I am also very excited to make some new friends. Around me I see about ten counselors, numerous campers, and an uncountable amount of parents and siblings. I hear tears of joy and sadness, and friends talking to friends. I nervously walk down to my seat. Next to me are two counselors. We sit and talk until the captain finally announces, "It's time for takeoff."



Neha Narang



Grade 4



My Brother A.J.

A.J. has taught me a lot. He teaches me about cars and most of all, helps me make new friends. I wonder what he will teach me next?

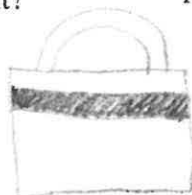


Benny Wolf



Grade 2

Leah Bush



Grade 5



GOAL!

Slide into Sports



The Race



Winner

There was a race at NSU. The people were fast but I caught up and I beat them. I was in first place. Nice try!

Cade Tolchinsky

Grade 1

Golf Tournament



Clouds blanket the sky as I step onto the tee box. My heart is beating one million miles a minute. I bring the club back, and I drive it forward with great force. The ball soars through the air. It stops in a heap of sand. The ball hits my club in the center of my clubface. It curves around the water. The ball hits the grass and springs up into the air. It bounces into the fairway. I bring my club back. I bring my club forward and the ball jumps off my club. It is going right at the hole. My heart drops to the bottom of my feet. The ball rolls past the hole. I walk up to the green and wait to putt. I line up my putt. I step up and stroke the ball gently. I close my eyes, and I hear the ball roll into the hole. I pump my fist and jump up and down. I just got my first birdie in a golf tournament.



Grade 5

Jared Barclay

Kayaking



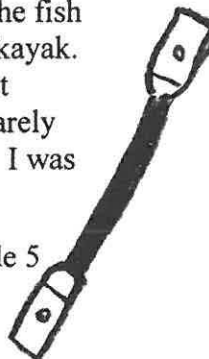
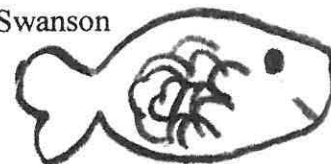
When I was in Ithaca, New York, I went kayaking. As I stepped into the bright yellow, soggy kayak, I was pushed into the cold murky water and I started to paddle. The long black paddle was surprisingly light, even though it was taller than me.

As I was in not so shallow water, my arms felt tired. I could barely see the houses afar because of thick fog, but I could see the outline of them. The trees hanging above the street were providing shade for the passing people. The fish were splashing around the docks and my kayak.

As I came back to shore, I was just drifting like a leaf in the water. I could barely move my arms because they were aching. I was glad that I made it back to the shore.

Charlie Swanson

Grade 5



Goal or No Goal?

10, 9, 8, 7, everyone is counting on me. I carefully dribble the ball in and out of the opponents. "Woo!" the crowd cheers. They do not know, but that puts even more pressure on me. I focus on the ball. I try to remember all of the tricks my coach taught me.

5, 4, 3, I start sweating when the score is 3 to 3. 2, 1, 0, Goal! I shot and scored the winning goal, just as the referee blew the whistle. The referee said that the goal didn't count. He broke my heart. My father had a word with the referee. Then, the referee said, "Gooaall!" The Bulldogs win. My heart is relieved. My body is calm. Great work, I say to myself. Keep trying; it's the key to success in life. Everyone hugs me very firm. As usual, I feel like a bug.

Mahlet Yared

Grade 5



Baseball 12! Hit the Ball!

One day I was playing baseball and I won. I won a big trophy. It was yellow. I brought the big trophy home. I was very excited. I put my trophy in my room. I put it on the shelf.

Jack Ramo

Grade 1

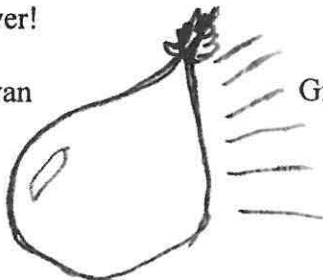


Field Day Friday

During Field Day I went to the relay run. It was 60 degrees outside. I met Robin, she was my partner in the balloon pass. The balloon popped two times. I also played volleyball and got the ball twice. I saw my sister when I was going to the egg game. I had a lot of fun on Field Day. The captain of my team was my sister's friend. My team was Iowa. That was the best Field Day ever!

Kayla Bryan

Grade 2





Furry Friends

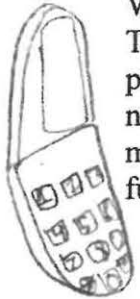


My Puppy

Golden Puppy

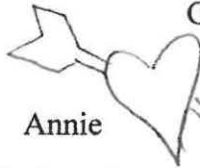
I have a puppy named Pugsley. She is a pug. I got her at the pound when I was five. When we came home I said, "Can I say hi to Tyler on the phone to tell her I got a new puppy?" I told Tyler that I got a new puppy named Pugsley. I was so excited. Tyler came to my house to play with Pugsley. We had so much fun.

I walk into the frantic airport, where people are huffing to get to their destination. The carousel starts with a loud beep. Baggage falls and I see a cute little yellow face. It looks at me with big, sad eyes. The crate falls and I pick it up. I realize that my new puppy has arrived. My parents walk over and see my golden dog. We walk to the desk with the official-looking man. As soon as I am verified to open the latch to the cage, she attacks me with kisses. I snap on her collar and leash in the blink of an eye. Forgetting that I am not strong enough to fully control a careless puppy, I end up getting walked. I can't resist being pulled, but I finally manage to gain control again. I cannot believe that I actually have a dog.

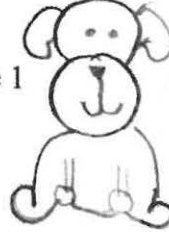


Claire Aiello

Grade 1



Annie



A white fluff ball on the ground waits to get a belly rub. I scratch her soft smooth stomach until she falls asleep. But right when I stop she awakens, so I keep rubbing her stomach. Then I just lay with her. She is known as man's best friend, but now she is my best friend. I love her! I love Annie!

Elizabeth Donoway

Grade 5



Bye Coco!

Sarah Parker

Grade 5



A Hummingbird



Coco was a little chubby dog that was supposed to be a Chihuahua but he was no Chihuahua. Reddish brown in color, he was chubby and cute and I loved him. Coco went for walks when my grandparents went for walks, but around the house he was as lazy as a fat cat and loved to sleep. Under all that hair and body, he had a big heart and that is what I loved most about him, next to his brown eyes looking up at me. I wish he did not have to go but it was better for him. My grandmother had to take him to the vet surprisingly, and she had to put him to sleep, and I never got to say goodbye to Coco. The reason he was put to sleep is because he got diabetes and became blind. The only thing that was good is that Coco did not suffer.

Have you ever seen a hummingbird? I caught one once. It happened like this. It was drinking from a flower, and I saw it. I thought it was a butterfly. I snuck up behind it and netted it. It did not like it one bit. I could see bright flashes of color. I did not dare touch it, I was afraid it may have mites. Then I let it go and it buzzed out of sight.

Miranda Tavgigian

Grade 4



My Dogs

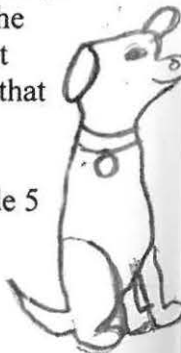
When my dog Sophie died, I was sad. We got a new dog named Annie. Boo Hoo! Now my dog Annie runs away. She is bad. She runs away and we try to catch her. I like Annie. She is nice. I still like all of my dogs, no matter what!

Sara Bowden

Grade 5

Lacy Borkson

Grade 1



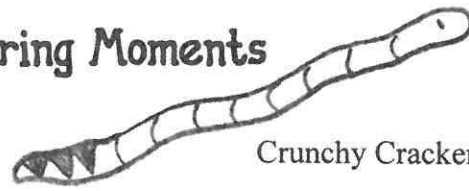
Mouth-Watering Moments

Marshmallows



Marshmallows melting in a monster's mouth. Mice marching to the mountains while munching on marshmallows. Mounds of marshmallows mysteriously appear in a museum.

Crunchy Crackers



Buttery bites of a yummy snack. Crunchy crackers that taste like popcorn. When I crunch the crackers they sound like I'm walking on dead leaves. They're the shape of a crunchy carrot. They feel like a smooth snake. I can't wait to eat them.



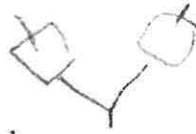
Benny Latona

Grade 2

Creamy Cupcakes



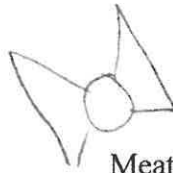
The luscious chocolate cupcakes are delicious with their melting chocolate and creamy vanilla icing. Wiping my mouth with the soft satisfying napkin is a must after eating these creamy creations. The chocolate icing in the middle feels as soft and smooth as a sponge with soap floating in a warm bath. The gooey taste feels like paradise in my mouth.



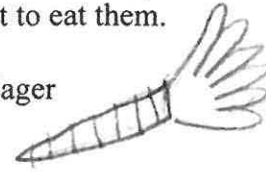
Alec Zager

Grade 3

Dancing in a Fantasy



Meatball bright with some whip cream delight. Pasta moves in their dancing shoes. Bow and cherry on top, this song will never stop. Pearls moving back and forth, eating that entire main course. Red heels and black shoes prancing, This fantasy is surely dancing.



Sam Bennett

Grade 3

Picture Pie



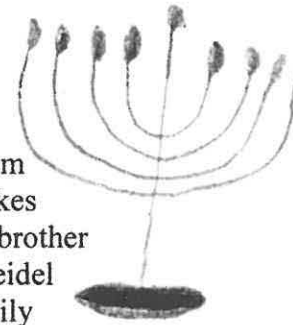
I slowly sway my paintbrush's quills on the canvas, choosing the most exquisite colors to put in my masterpiece. Using my quills, I gently dab them into the small pool of orange paint. Then I carefully direct the paintbrush's nose to the canvas, and begin swaying my brush in an oval formation. I then swing my brush back into the bright orange paint. Quickly, I swish my quills around the circular cup, and then I gently bring my paintbrush to the canvas. I slowly swirl my brush's nose in an oval pattern, keeping focus so I'll stay inside the oval outline. I now bring my brush to the cup of muddy brown water, and clean the whiskers. Like a crab, I move my paintbrush horizontally to the pools of oily paint. I choose the color moose brown from the puddles, and dab the whiskers into the paint. I quickly make a brown outer layer of the orange blob. Brown and orange, what a perfect combination to make a perfect painting of a picture perfect pumpkin pie. Happy holidays!

Hannah Zebersky

Grade 3

Hanukkah is...

Hanukkah is my mom flipping delicious latkes
 Hanukkah is me and my brother enjoying a game of dreidel
 Hanukkah is my family celebrating with me
 Hanukkah is candles burning on the menorah
 Hanukkah is opening my wonderful presents
 Hanukkah is my family singing melodious prayers
 Hanukkah is eating the most delicious food in the world
 Hanukkah is...



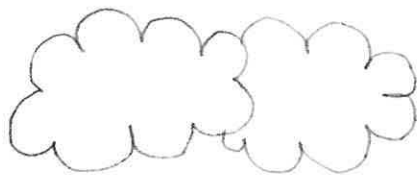
Blake Maier



Grade 5

Amelia Meles

Grade 2



Clouds

The big beautiful white puffy clouds in the big light blue sky are amazing. Many birds are flying past. The cool breeze is blowing in my face. I see cumulous clouds. I hear the really loud sound of a big flying plane, cars passing, and cute little birds chirping.

Andrew Hurowitz



Grade 3



Night

The moonlight seems like it was just dipped into a huge chamber of gleaming silver brightness. Everything is silent under the moonlight. There isn't a peep from a mouse or a bark from a dog. The cool crisp wind blows like a small fan that causes tiny goose bumps to run up your arm. You can see only the tiptop of buildings that look like tiny little pencil points just barely sticking up over the horizon. It is so peaceful you just can't have the night end. You fall fast asleep, gently dreaming like a bear in hibernation. You can't wait for tomorrow night.

Nicolas Jacobsen

Grade 4



The Starry Night by Vincent Van Gogh

Starry Night

Your stars shine so bright.

Your sky swirls with light.

Your colors of blue and green

Yellow and white

All shine in the night

Bringing delight.

Parker Barton

Grade 4



Raindrops

Drip drop drippedy drop! The little raindrops fall through the sky, making little baby puddles. Once it lightnings, then it thunders. I pull radical rubber boots and swing on my raincoat, can't forget my umbrella. Jumping outside, I look up, a raindrop drips on my nose. I sing, I dance, I cry, I sigh. I splish splash in a puddle of rain, it swings swaying softly around. Raindrops fly and flow, following me. I gratefully gaze up at the sky, I feel as though I might cry. Soon the rain will leave, leaping into the sky.

Nadine Wiesenthal

Grade 3

The Storm

I was working on the computer when the dog howled, the birds squawked, the squirrels scrambled up onto a tree. It was coming, and thank goodness, our house and those in it were safe and prepared. The wind came in a gust, picking up leaves as they shivered and twirled back toward the earth. The birds shot through the air toward nests, the squirrels clambered into the thickest branches of trees, and the dog cuddled close to me. It was coming! Out of nowhere, clouds enveloped us in darkness. The wind screeched and wailed. BOOM! Thunder clashed and lightning streaked the sky with a ghastly yellow light. The rain pounded down to earth. The trees bowed down to the wind, their branches swaying and scraping the ground. Then, as quickly as it came, it was gone.

Brittany Burnbaum

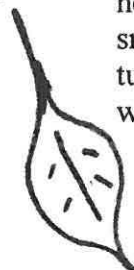
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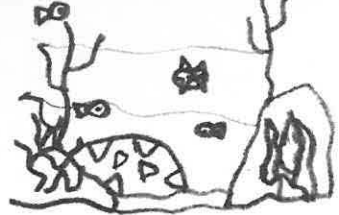
Clouds

The hot air of the humid, sticky summer days are coming to an end, as the fall air moves in, kicking out the summer slow as a snail. As the leaves turn brown as dirt, they fall, catching the wind. Soon the trees are all bare. The clouds move in closer and closer, every day getting heavier and heavier, thicker and thicker. The snow falls down down down down, which soon turns into soft, watery slush. In one month or two, winter will be over and on will come spring!

Theresa Sandbrook

Grade 3





The Blue Below

Snorkeling in the Bahamas

When I went to the Bahamas I went snorkeling. I saw lots and lots of colorful fish! I only saw one red and black fish. It was my favorite. I saw lots of sea urchins. When I got out of the water I was tired. I can't wait to go again.

Sydney McIver  Grade 1

Adventure at the Beach

I was building a shell castle at the beach. It was a sunny day and very calm. Suddenly I heard a terrified scream. It was as loud as an elephant's trumpet! It was my mom and her friend. They were running toward a huge gray blurry shape in the water. My friend and I thought it was a shark! Suddenly we realized it was a manatee!

Daniella Stocksdale  Grade 2

The Water

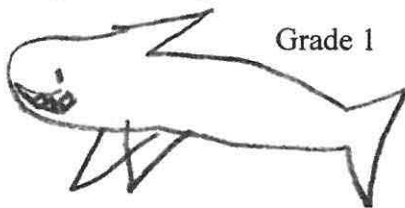
I dove into the soft glimmering water. Gently the water pushed me through the race. Bubbles were following me like they were showing me the way through the path. My arms were spinning like windmills on a windy day. My legs were whipping through the water to go faster. I pushed myself to the wall struggling to the end. I forced the wall to move, like pushing a big boulder. "Yes!" I am done. I am number one.

Laryssa Bedley  Grade 4

Sea World

I went to Sea World. I saw sharks. They were huge like the whale shark. I saw a manatee. I saw a sheep swimming in a little pool.

Anthony Gentry  Grade 1



I am Reef



Reef

Very colorful
Super bright colors
Smells like water plants
Feels almost like dry sponge
Sounds like swishing water in a pool
Tastes undelicious and nasty like a mud bath
The father of this is the deep sea



Noah Masimore Grade 4

The Beautiful Sea Trip

The glistening sun brightens the ocean like spotlights on a movie star. The clouds are like icebergs floating in the beautiful blue sky. A black sailboat swiftly swims through the beautiful ocean. This is a very glamorous sea.

Billy Herskowitz

Grade 3



I am Reef

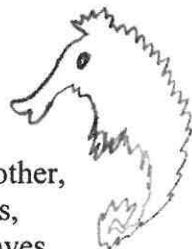
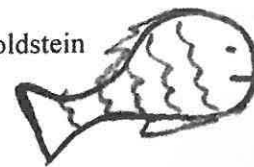
Beautiful flowing sea,
Sudden silence below land,
Baby seahorse huddles with soft mother,
Day in, scurry with sea creatures,
Seashells, clicking music in the waves,
Animals, tired and in a hurry for home,
Day done, animals asleep,
and a new adventure begins.

Leo Kleyman Grade 4

I am Reef

Sea creatures
Rainbow waters everywhere
Small and great coral
Fish here and fish there
blue fish green fish yellow fish
Strong things always around here, there
Every day creatures safe and sound, ocean

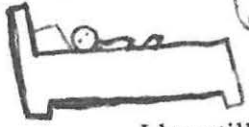
Samantha Goldstein Grade 4





Dazzling Boardwalk

Time to Share



Morning



The flashing lights shimmered in my eyes, as I sauntered into the Boardwalk Hotel. I looked out and saw the Boardwalk; it seemed to stretch out to the end of the world. Down the sidewalk kids galloped in joy. There were tiny shops with satisfying souvenirs, from snow globes to slot machines. But the best part of the Boardwalk was the street performers, like a mime making fun of people, and a magician. The person who hooked my attention was Carlo the Balancer. He tenderly balanced a huge sharp knife on his nose. The Boardwalk Hotel turned out to be a magnificent place to stay.

I lay still in my bed, fast asleep in the darkness of the pitch black night. In the light of morning my alarm beeps with an annoying sound, its mission is to get me out of bed. I took a snow and brushed my teeth. I got on my clothes and turned on the TV. Just as I was about to make myself breakfast, I realized something. It was Saturday! I woke up so early for no reason! I was so angry that I wanted to demolish anything in my path. "I'm never waking up early on Saturday again!" I whispered. I lay still in my bed early in the morning.

Alex Stocksdale

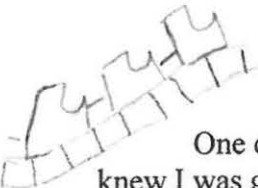


Grade 5

Jonathan Baxter



Grade 5



A Day at Disney World

One day I went to Disney World and I knew I was going to have a lot of fun there. We went to the Magic Kingdom and Animal Kingdom. Me and my dad went on the fastest roller coaster in the whole Animal Kingdom. First, it goes forward like warp speed. Then the track breaks in half and we went backwards. Then there was a monster that looks like the Abominable Snowman that breaks the road in half. Then, we fell straight down but it really felt like we went backwards like a rocket. Then our stomachs dropped straight down and it felt very weird. Then it was over and we wanted to do it again.

Zoom! It was the first time riding the skidoo in Kansas at the lake. Before I rode the skidoo I felt nervous with butterflies in my stomach, but I was excited too. When I started riding it was so much fun, I could hear the waves splashing behind. It sounded like they were talking to me. I could feel the sun beating down on my skin. It was so beautiful seeing the colorful bluish green water. What an amazing sight! When I was riding, the wind would push on my face like a feather falling on the ground. When I rode back to the dock, I had a smile on my face from ear to ear because I had such a great time!

Matthew Robbins



Grade 1

Madness

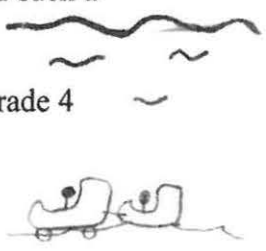


Roshni Singh



Grade 4

My Trip to Universal



My eyes were tearing. I was shaking all over. I was screaming so loud, even the dogs hated me. I was filled with anger and I was sad at the same time. I was stomping my feet. Tears were running down my cheeks. I slammed my door shut like a bullet and I locked my door and cried myself to sleep.

I am on a roller coaster with my mommy and my daddy. It's called the Demonator. I am on the Popeye boat with my mommy and my daddy. I am leaving Universal. We stayed for the whole weekend.

Tamara Outler

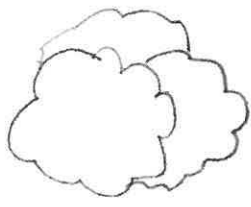


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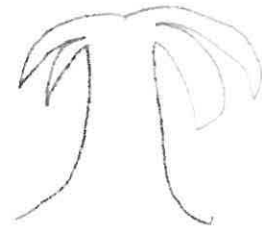


Nature

The World Outdoors



The Trees



Dry leaves rustle on the ground. The cool breeze blows fresh air towards me. Smooth water flows down the fountain. Trees and bushes slowly sway from side to side. A butterfly flutters across the sky. As I take a deep breath, I smell the fresh fragrance of the air, which smells like a periwinkle. While the wind blows, the chimes cling together. The color of the clouds begins to change from white to gray. I glare at the plants and notice how each one is unique and special. Birds soar across the sky, as I continue to observe the calm nature.

The trees are swinging around me. They are dancing to the beat. The branches, like arms and legs, stretch across the glowing sky. The wind blows the trees around me. The birds fly from tree to tree as the squirrels climb. Beautiful trees are hanging beside me. It feels like running in the breeze.

Aimee Starr



Grade 2

Spring Is

Spring is a gentle lily pad over a calm blue pond.
Spring is a pillow as soft as a cloud
Spring is a newborn daisy in the fresh cool air
Spring to me is a wonderful season!



Jenna Zwick

Grade 3

Shari Kumar



Grade 5



In the Ocean



When I was in my Grandpa's submarine I saw fish and sharks under the sea. I saw a jellyfish's stingers. Then I saw the whole jellyfish. Next, I saw a puffer fish. I saw even more fish. I can't wait until me and my dad go again!



Delicate Garden

A pretty pink pile of flowers line a dainty basket.
Succulent, sweet strawberries as red as fire glow in the morning sun.
A smooth shiny bottle sits nestled between it all.
Leaves as green as emeralds take my breath away.
This is the most delicate garden!



Bryan Kaplan



Grade 1



Outside



The tickering sound of the leaves moving through the outdoor breeze is very soft. The insects buzz and buzz and buzz as they fly carelessly through the tall stalks of grass. The enormous clouds pass by freely like when you just realized you got an A on a test. The blistering sun is now sprawled against my peach-colored face as though hugging my warm cheeks. The leaves on the extraordinary trees expand over the worn out grass as they block the bottom of the sky as if guarding the gigantic clouds. The gorgeous sun lights up on the green grass which allows the trees to make shadow puppets.

Ms. DeMaria's class

Grade 3



My Walk in the Rainforest

The water soaks in my shoes. The leaves look like a giant umbrella. I can hear birds chirping wildly. It feels as if I am in the most wonderful place in the world! It is the rainforest as colorful as can be!



Jeremy Ramanathan

Grade 3



Alexandra Van Hasselt

Grade 3





Surprise

Surprise! a loud voice said, though it wasn't just one voice. It was the voices of all my friends. I started screaming. Everyone ran over to me to try to explain what was going on. My heart was beating as fast as a cheetah. The salon was all pink, full of pink balloons. There was a hair station, a makeup station, and a nail station. Right when I caught my breath, I realized this was going to be the greatest memory of my birthday parties.

Memorable Moments



The Wedding

One day, before I went to my mom's brother's wedding, I had a family party. My niece Hannah was there and I played with her. I had fun and it was special. At the wedding, my cousin and I were flower girls. When I was walking down the aisle, I felt special because this was my first time being a flower girl. My brother was a ring bearer and we had fun. When I saw the ice sculpture I thought it was pretty. At the wedding I felt happy to be there.



Cade Grady



My Birthday Party

Grade 4

Once I was 6 and I had a birthday party. On my birthday I was singing and playing limbo. Then all the kids at the party had their faces painted. When the party was over I was in the car with my mom and dad. We were driving home. The presents were in the trunk, and I could not wait to open them. Last, I opened my presents and I loved them all!

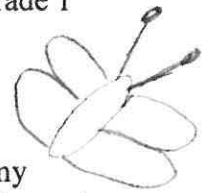


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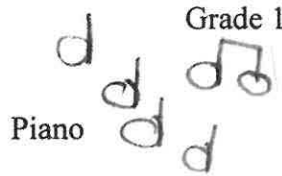
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Show Time

I didn't know if the feeling in my stomach were butterflies or if I was going to be sick. Everyone scurried backstage, either practicing their lines or getting their props ready. Thoughts were whirling around in my head. Would I forget my lines? What if I mess up? Will I not remember the steps to the dances? What if I stumble onstage? I could hear the soft thud of my heartbeat. My legs shivered so much I could barely stand. I tried to practice my lines but my memory seemed faded and I couldn't concentrate with all the excitement. I peeked out of the curtains to see tons of people waiting for the show to start. Then I heard the booming voice of the director, "Show time!" Everybody was running onto the stage. I wished everyone good luck as I bounded onstage. I faced the velvet red curtain and waited patiently as it slowly went up.



Harrison Tobin



Piano

Grade 1

The air is still. The room is as hot as the sun. All you can hear is your heartbeat until, the music suddenly starts. The music dances around the small room. Her small, thin fingers scatter up and down the huge piano. She glances up at her thick music book and then speeds up. It gets more intense and powerful. It sounds like a stampede of elephants. The music gets louder and then it suddenly stops like a car slamming on the brakes. I hear it being played softer. Soon, the song fades away. The room seems dull. The song has ended. A light applause comes from a small group of people. When we leave, I can still hear the beautiful music flow through my mind.



Alexandria Bonomo

Grade 5

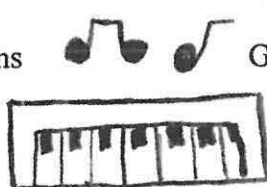


Playdate with My Best Friend

I went to David's house. It was raining. Me and David had fun. We played basketball. I love playing with David.

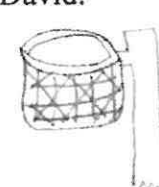


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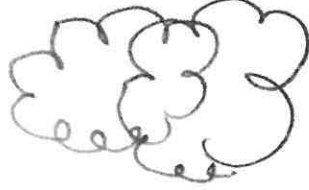
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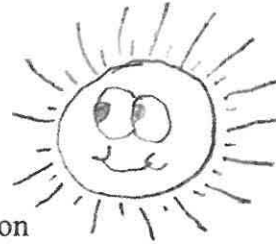


Grade 1





Icy World



Snowball Chaos!

A Snowy Day in Boston

BAM! I'm having a snowball fight with my parents in Gatlinburg. I'm picking up a quilt of snow ready to aim. It's fun to hit your parents with snowballs because you can surprise them. It's a round mound of brown and off-white. I think snowballs are usually dirty, but I still use them. I think dirty snowballs are the best because the mound of beige can stick together better. When we get hit with snow, we all break out laughing! I love going to Gatlinburg!

The sun was shining and the sky was as blue as my eyes, but it was freezing outside. The Boston snow was so cold. I could feel the coldness through my winter boots. I was almost frozen like a statue. I was wiggling and giggling down the sugary white snow. It was fantastic!

Amanda Hindelang

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Madeleine Smith

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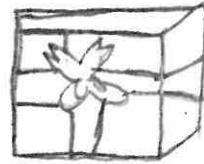


My Trip to Colorado



A long time ago I went to Colorado. I learned how to snowboard. I loved it! After I snowboard, I always get hot chocolate with my dad. Then I go to my hotel. I get in my pjs and light a fire in the fireplace. Then in the morning I explored more about Colorado. When I was exploring, I saw a humongous lake with tons and tons of fish in it. I loved my trip to Colorado!

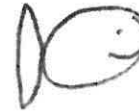
Winter



Winter is eight days of Hanukkah
With presents for me and my brother
Winter is vacations with my family
Flying to Boston, or New York
Winter is New Year's Eve
Staying up past midnight,
And watching the clock
Winter is playing in the soft, steep,
cold white snow in Colorado
Winter is skiing down the slopes
with my dad and my favorite ski instructor
Winter is the season of joy and love

Skylar Kahn

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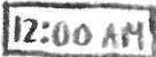


December Is...

December is reindeer flying through the night sky
December is Santa riding on a red fancy sleigh.
December is preparing the tree with Christmas decorations
December is waiting for Santa to bring me carefully wrapped presents
December is hanging stockings Over my fireplace
December is baking cookies for Santa to enjoy
December is hot milk and chocolate chip cookies
December is snowflakes coming from the clouds down to the earth
December is feeling wonderful on Christmas morning!

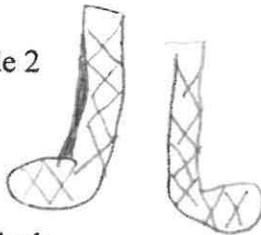


Grant Bianco



Grade 2

An Arctic Meltdown



Pieces of a broken off puzzle as dusk arrives. With the sea so blue it's like a pool of ice water. Absolutely no clouds in the sapphire sky. It's like taking a picture in outer space. But sunset stands out with true astonishment. As long as icebergs and the crystal blue sea exist, it is a penguin wonderland. It feels like the cirrus clouds are little Antarticas. It is a once in a lifetime opportunity.

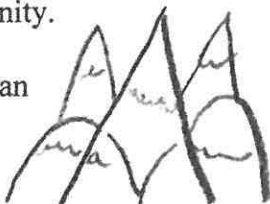


Caleb Liberman

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Eric Feller

Grade 2





Thanksgiving

On Thanksgiving my cousins came. Their names are Malirida and Touna. We ate turkey, ham, and matzo ball soup. It was fun. We had a sleepover and stayed up all night. We even slept all day. It was the best sleepover ever.

Gabriella Quintana

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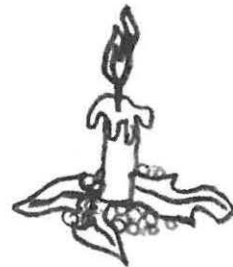


Happy Holidays



I Love Chanukah

I love Chanukah
It's a glorious night
I love Chanukah
With candles so bright
I love Chanukah
My family hugs me
so tight
I love Chanukah
It's my favorite night.



I Know Christmas

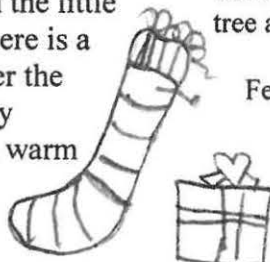
I know Christmas:

I see the new Christmas tree as it graces the room with its beautiful and colorful lights, my Pooh Bear stocking hung, overflowing with sweet candies. Outside I see a perfect snowman with a huge smile on his face, as I watch the little snowflakes fall all around him. Inside there is a feeling of happiness as the presents under the Christmas tree wait to be unwrapped. My family's warm hugs make me feel like a warm cup of hot chocolate.

I know Christmas.

Kayla Ciavatto

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Christmas

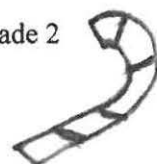
Me and my family celebrate Christmas by decorating the inside of my house with the Christmas tree and decorating the outside of my house.

Fern Pholowan

Grade 1

Holidays

My dad celebrates Hanukkah and my mom celebrates Christmas. I like Hanukkah because you get eight presents and in Christmas you only get one.

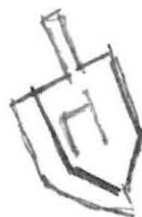
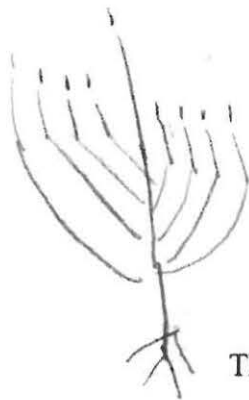


Hanukkah is...

Hanukkah is unwrapping the wonderful presents
Hanukkah is the delicious taste of matzo ball soup
Hanukkah is getting to spin The dreidel and winning chocolate
Hanukkah is eight nights to be thankful
Hanukkah is saying prayers to God
Hanukkah is the taste of crusty challah
Hanukkah is lighting the Shamash
So we can begin Hanukkah
Hanukkah is staying up past nine o'clock
Hanukkah is spending time with my family.

Noah Besner

Grade 2



Salomon Slatkoff

Grade 1

Christmas Is

Christmas is seeing a penguin glowing with lights
Christmas is candy canes as sweet as Skittles
Christmas is ornaments twinkling on the Christmas tree
Christmas is snow as soft as cotton
Christmas is speeding in Utah, with skis
Going super duper fast
Christmas is a tree with shiny silver paper
Christmas is being on a sled
Skimming on the snow
Christmas is weather as cold as a freezer
Christmas is...

Isaac Masimore

Grade 2



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