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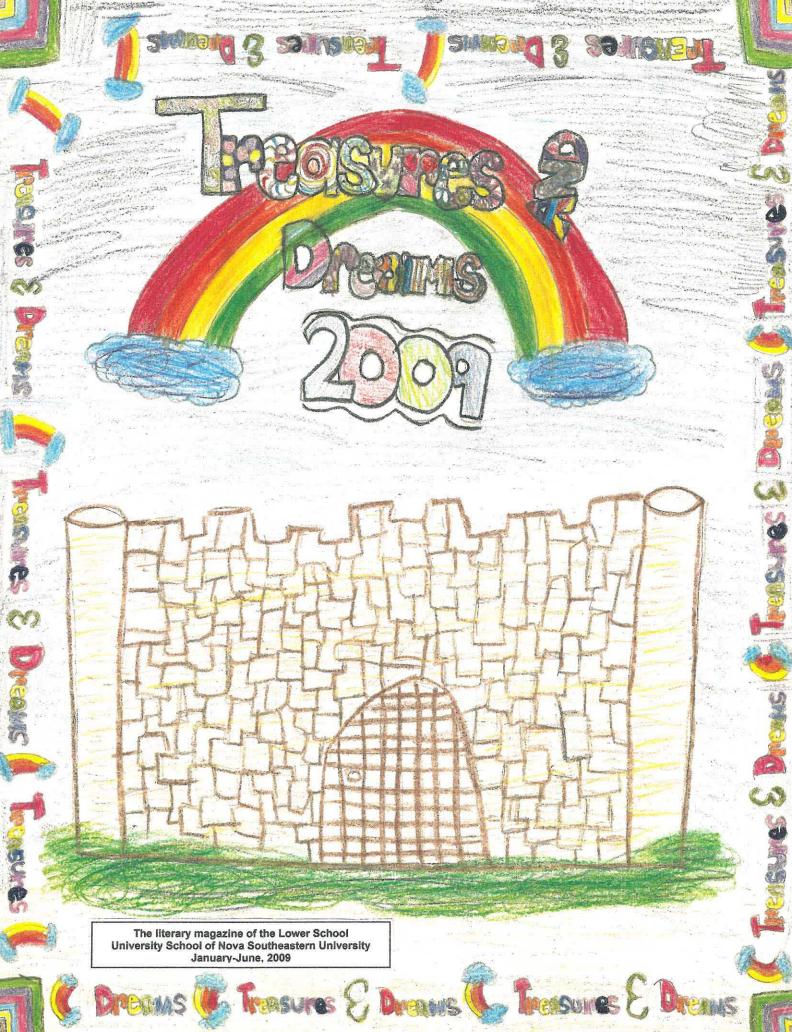
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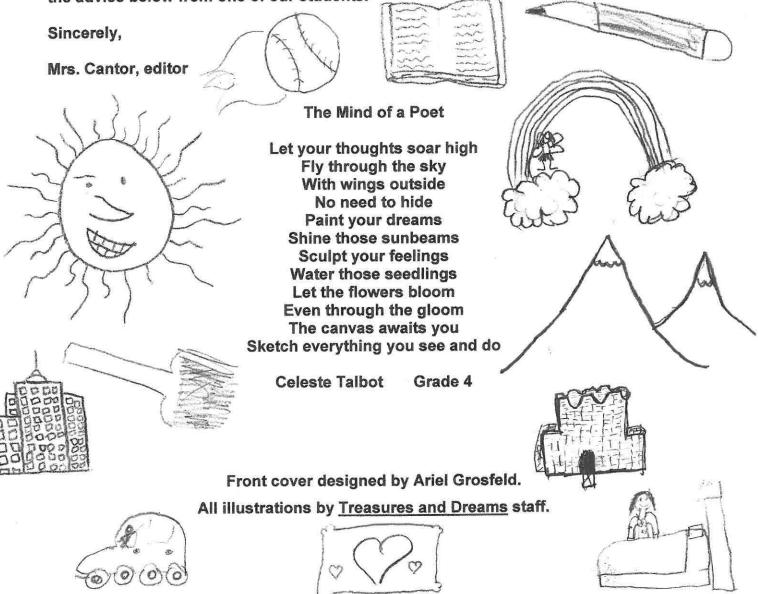
## Dear Students, Parents and Faculty,



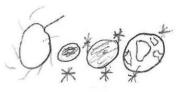
April is National Poetry Month, and the entire Lower School becomes involved yearly in learning about poetry. The students read and study different forms of poetry, such as haiku, diamante, limericks, shape poems, couplets, and more. Poetry has been displayed in the hallways throughout the school. Perhaps you noticed the "Poem of the Day" written on the announcement board in the front lobby, or read the many fine examples of student writing on bulletin boards in classrooms. In these pages you will discover many more examples of this fine Language Arts instruction, as interpreted by our Lower School students. Enjoy!

Thanks to the administration for their continued support of this endeavor. Thank you to the classroom teachers who instruct and inspire their young writers. Thank you to my wonderful, enthusiastic staff who worked diligently and creatively on the beautiful illustrations that enhance the writing on these pages.

I encourage all of our students to keep a journal or writer's notebook this summer so you can continue to express yourself beautifully in writing. Better yet, read the advice below from one of our students.



# **Our Earth, Our Home**



Earth Day Poem

I love the earth because it is special to me. There are trees that fill the world with colors, and they help you breathe. The crystal oceans are shining as bright as the sun. The fish in the water are always on the run. All the beautiful birds are flapping their wings to fly. They make me want to soar in the sky. The earth has green grass that covers the ground Bumpy mountains fill the air and the deserts, they surround. The world makes me feel happy. We love our mother earth!

The Earth

Earth is our one and only home, If we destroy her we would have

We have to work to protect her

Jakob Sontag

nowhere to roam.

for we have no other.

So we must work together

like a sister and a brother.

They're not being protected.

Lastly, people have hybrids

Let me make this easy on you,

Some animals' habitats

are being neglected,

Guess what, people?

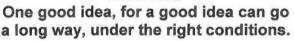
or even solar power,

Grade 2

Happy Earth Day!

If I had a wish, Earth Day would be every day Grass would flourish over roads and sidewalks This planet would flourish and humans would live in harmony

Animals would thrive Maybe I don't need a wish to make this dream come true Maybe all this planet needs. is an idea



Shainal Gandhi

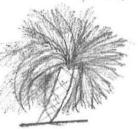
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Grade 3

Rattling, thundering lightning storms Liquid which helps living things grow It's what completes the beauty of Spring Nothing can replace it

Rain

**Riley Barrett** 





Nature gives us life and something to live for The glorious animals The perfect flowers Water to swim in Trees to climb on And land to play

If

Earth Day comes only once a year The sun will continue to shine and warm along with the flowing water along with the blowing trees along with the playing animals only if we all promise to use less only if we save the Earth

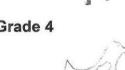
**Jamie Baer** 

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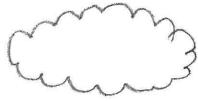
**Jacob Greene** 

Grade 4





## Down by the Bay





As Seen from the Beach

While the old lighthouse shines from the end of a headland, The moon seems to smile in the middle of the night.

As the waves in the sea get calmer, The clouds above float by. When the sand meets the waves, Listen to the soothing sound it makes. As the far-off mountains remain still, This can all be seen from the beach.

**Michael Magram** 

Grade 5

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The Lively Ocean

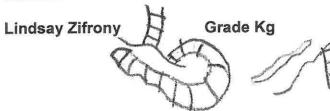
Crystal blue waves Crash against the baked sand Seagulls dive into the aquamarine waters Flashes of scales come into sight Speckled seashells wash up on the sand The sun looks at itself in the great navy mirror Emerald turtles glide by the coral reef Rainbow sponges can be spotted Coral castles with king crabs

Crowd the ocean with life.

Sydney Juda

My Friends and I in the Pool

My friends came over. I went in the pool with them. We all put on our bathing suits. We hopped in the pool. We swam all over the place. My dog did the doggy paddle. We went out of the pool and we went to the water slide. I had fun.



**Ocean Day** 

I see the gentle waves kissing the wet smooth sand. I smell all of the salty water. The waves are tucking the wet sand into bed. Splash, splash! The waves are slapping the salty watery sand. All of the people are getting ready to go...But I'm not! I want to see the sky blue water, The waves, and the cute green round baby turtles. They are so cuddly! The ocean is the perfect place to relax. love the beach!

Stephanie Nathasingh

Grade 2

#### The Beach

The blue sky hung above the rushing ocean waters. The picnic basket was lying there waiting for someone to pick it up. A white and blue checkered towel was dangling on a snow-colored beach chair. Sailboats were rapidly skimming the water as they darted across the ocean. Earthy, tall palm trees swayed in the wind. Cool, gray rocks bulged out of the sand. Plants stood waiting for the rain to fall. There, on a beach, many things...life, water, but no humans.

**Rachel Guttman** 

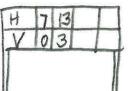
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The Great Vacation on the Sea

On my vacation I went on a boat called the Carnival Pride. I saw the real Freddy. He looked like a bunny with big ears. On the boat there was a crazy waterslide. It spun all around and made me flip over. It was the best vacation ever!

Alexa Podalsky





## **Spectacular Sports**

Football Sweaty, teamwork Throwing, carrying, tackling Throwing accurate and hard Sports



Jordan Schulefand Grade 5

Baseball





Baseball is a lot of fun Everyone loves to hit a home run You use a ball and a bat The baseball field is where it's at! To play baseball you use a mitt Catching the ball, we love it! Singles, doubles and triples all help the team

When we hit, the fans yell and scream A stolen base is an exciting play It is not something we see every day I love playing baseball and watching it too It's a sport for everyone, including you!

**Matthew Frank** 

Grade 1

A Limerick

There once was a boy named Mike. He loved to ride on his bike. At tennis he was great, And he loved to ice skate. That sporty boy named Mike.

**Tyler Failla** 

Grade 3

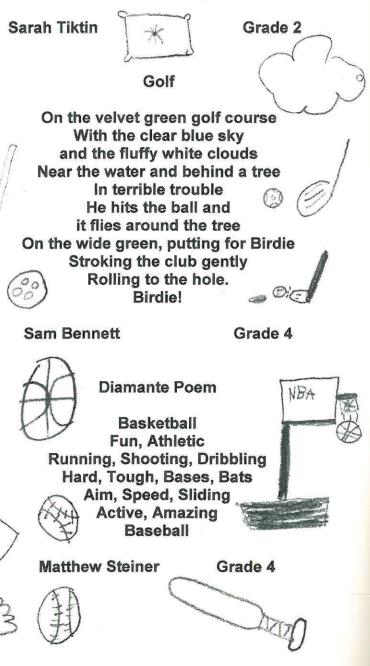
Football Fun, industrious Catching, running, kicking Pass the pig skin Dangerous

Sean Panzer

Grade 5

## The Frisbee

I loved the way the Frisbee floated into the air. It felt like paper, it was so light. I supposed that it would be fun to ride on a beautifully spinning Frisbee through the air. I was surprised by the way the Frisbee floated in the air like it was always there. I noticed the Frisbee slowly and gently coming down, like paper, floating down as slow as possible. As I ran my hand along it, it felt as smooth as a warm pillow.



## **A Year of Seasons**

## Spring

Waking up with the bright morning sun peeking through my window, I hear the newborn chirping baby birds. The grass is glistening with morning dew. Rabbits are hopping and the flower buds on the trees are blooming. Pollen is fluttering along with the warm slight breeze of spring. Spring is truly a miracle!

Victoria Langone

Winter is Going

Grade 3

**Diamond Snow** Aspen Trees Swaying Lets you know That winter is staying Winter is great It makes me full of glee I don't want to wait Another year to ski. **Rays of Sunlight** Hit the snowflakes With all of its might, Makes the Spring Awaken. The only thing I could remember Is the winter delight, Though I'll wait to December For the freezing frostbite.

Jacob Wilentz

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Winter Acrostic Poem

Grade 4

White snow lays like a blanket on the ground lcicles glisten while hanging on a porch Night is chilly and windy Toboggan sledding down a steep hill Excellent time for skiing Racing for the finish

Caleb Liberman

Grade 4

Spring

Fragrant smells of spring are everywhere Luscious nectar for bees to eat Overflowing seedlings bring buds to gardens Water helps them grow Everlasting beautiful freshness Radiant colors Slow blooming

Madelyn Corliss

Grade 3

Winter Wonderland

It was a winter wonderland! My eyes kept blinking because it was so bright. I reached down and touched the white snow. It felt freezing under my feet. I made a snowball and threw it at my sister! I did the same thing to my brother! I took my two cold hands and scooped up the snow like an ice cream scooper! I threw it and my brother threw it back to me! I giggled so much my belly hurt. I had the best time ever!

### Samantha Boisvert

Grade 1

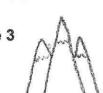
A warm hot fireplace

Fire keeps winter's cold away Keeps me very warm

Josh Feller

Grade 3



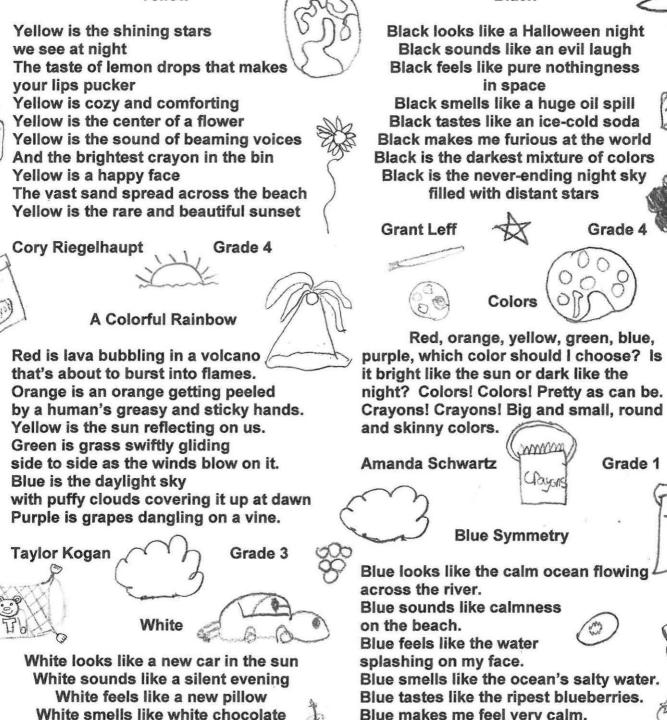






## **Colors of the Earth**

Yellow



Blue smells like the ocean's salty water. Blue tastes like the ripest blueberries. Blue makes me feel very calm. Blue is my middle name.

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Black

Grade 4

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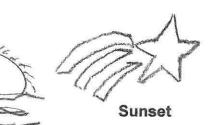
Sheena Rapkin

Paul Tocci

White tastes like a marshmallow

White makes me feel unseen White is me

Grade 4



## **Celestial Sights**

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**Rain to Puddle** 

I am sitting up here

As wet and soggy

out of the sky

out in the cold atmosphere

As thin as a piece of paper

The color of a loose tooth

as a big bucket of warm water

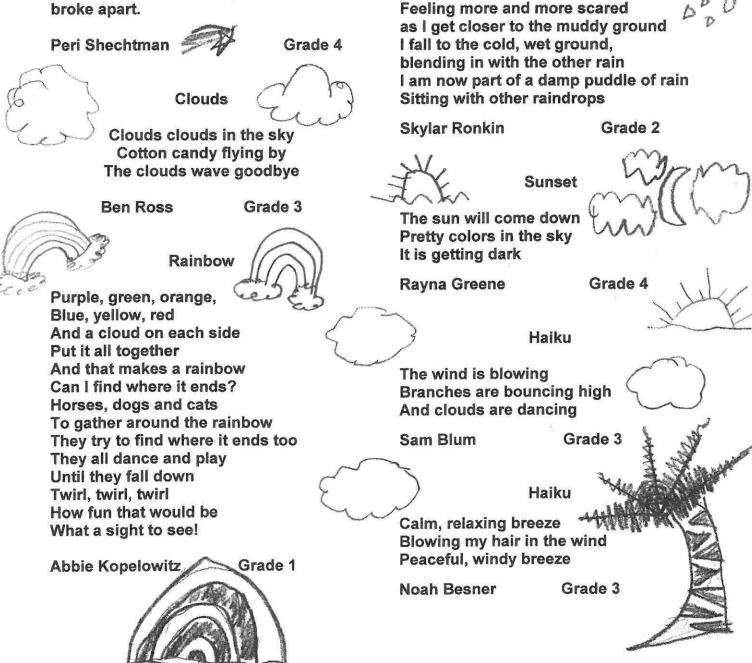
All of a sudden I start to drop

like a baby duck trying to fly

drifting across the sky

I pass a beautiful hummingbird

The sapphire ocean crashed as the golden sun slowly went down. The whispering wind hit my face. My feet scrunched up in the sand as the sparkling water gently came up to shore. I felt cold mist splashing me in rage. The sunset sky turned into blackness painted across the sky with twinkling, shining stars popping out of nowhere. The ocean called my name as the faded sun cried sadly when we broke apart.







Vatery Planet



**Under the Sea** 

Over my vacation I went to the Imax theater and I saw a 3-D movie about life under the sea. The sea creatures were eating things and it was scary. They would pop out into your face. I saw really cool animals like nurse sharks, big brown and yellow fish, snakes, and big green frogs. I had a very, very great time!

William Boudy

Grade Kg

#### I Love the Beach

I love the beach. I love the soft sand crawling in between my toes when I walk. I love the tranguil noise of the big waves crashing against the wet sand. I love to swim in the big blue ocean. I love the beach. I love watching the green palm trees sway back and forth in the wind.

I love the beach.

**Caitlin Cahalin** 

I Love the Ocean

Grade 4

I love the ocean. It is clear. When I pick up a seashell I can hear. It is pretty and blue. When I'm in the ocean I want you to come in, too! I love dolphins. They are cool. They would get sick if they swam in my pool. I love coral. It is neat. If you bite it, you'll never want to eat. The ocean is colorful! I see fish and sea creatures. Dolphins, whales, sharks and fish... the ocean.

Nicholas Moleta

Grade 2

The Peaceful Beach

Agua waves crash on the golden sand. The white moon illuminates the empty black sky. A lighthouse as white as snow stands on a rocky cliff covered with rainbow-colored flowers. Next to it stands a small house with its windows lit with bright lights. The lighthouse looks like a candle because the top of it is as bright as fire. Majestic mountains stand close to the horizon ending at the deep blue sea. It is a very peaceful night on the beach.

**Ryan Douglas** 

Grade 5

#### Sandy Day

Splash! Splash! As we were going to the sandy place with blue salted water, the sun was so bright I had to squint. The day was as beautiful as twilight. I rode my bike to the sandy place with my dad. When I touched the sand, it was the hottest sand in Hollywood. The wind roared like a lion. I ran like the wind to the blue, salted water. I put my feet in the water and this is what I heard, Brrr! My lips were shaking like a milkshake. What a great day at the beach!

Nicholas Pfister



Grade 1

The Biggest Fish

I am fishing in my backyard. There is a stream filled with fish, tadpoles and frogs. I caught a big bass and a huge barracuda. I was the only one who caught any fish! My cousin cooked up the bass so we could eat it for dinner. It was amazing! I love to fish and I can't wait to go again.

Dylan Romig



Grade Kg



**Golden Popcorn** 

Grade 1

Little popcorn kernels coming alive

Movies are better with the crunchy

So buttery golden like the sun.

Pop pop pop pop pop

Mmmmmmmm so tasty.

Popcorn so nice and hot.

taste of pillowy popcorn. Golden like the sun,

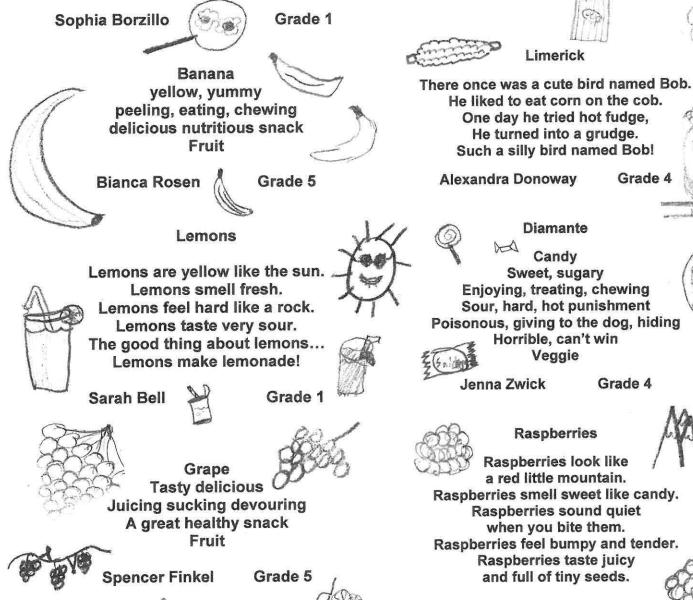
Pillowy popcorn popping.

Jonathan Spier



Eggs Over Easy

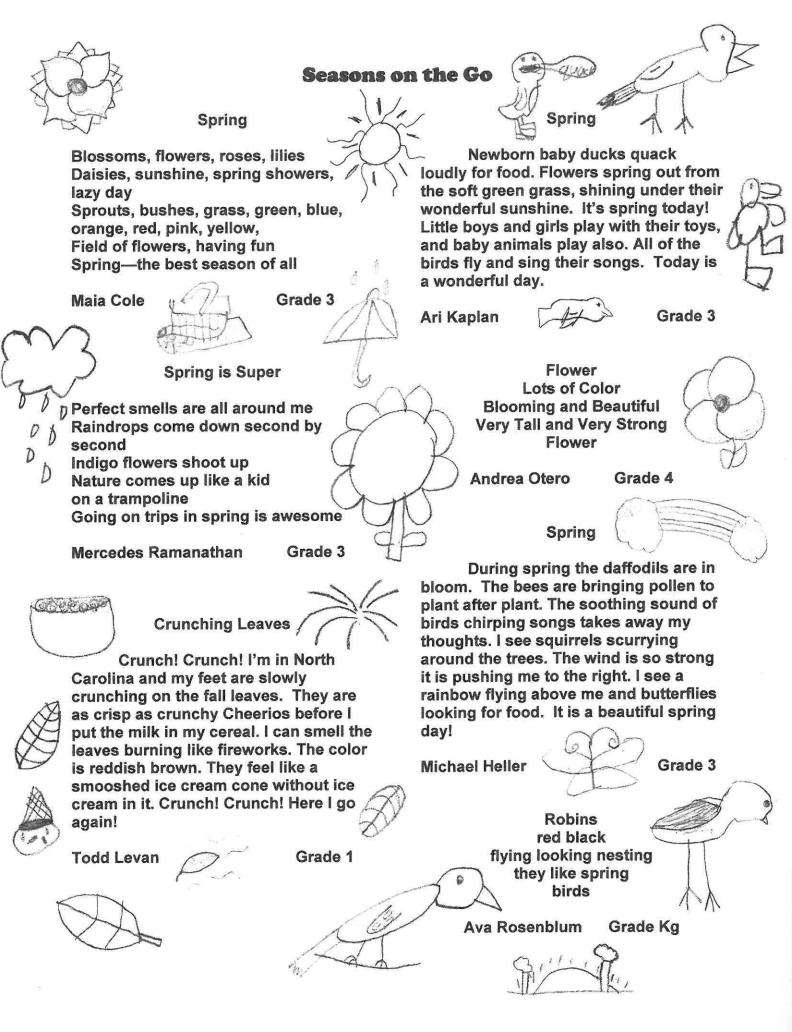
I eat eggs over easy almost every day. Eggs over easy taste scrumptious. The yolk bursts out in the middle like a volcano. Eggs over easy feel soft like a pillow. They sound like a slithering snake in the frying pan. I love eggs over easy. I can't stop eating them. They are my favorite thing for breakfast. But if we don't have them, I'll have to eat oatmeal.

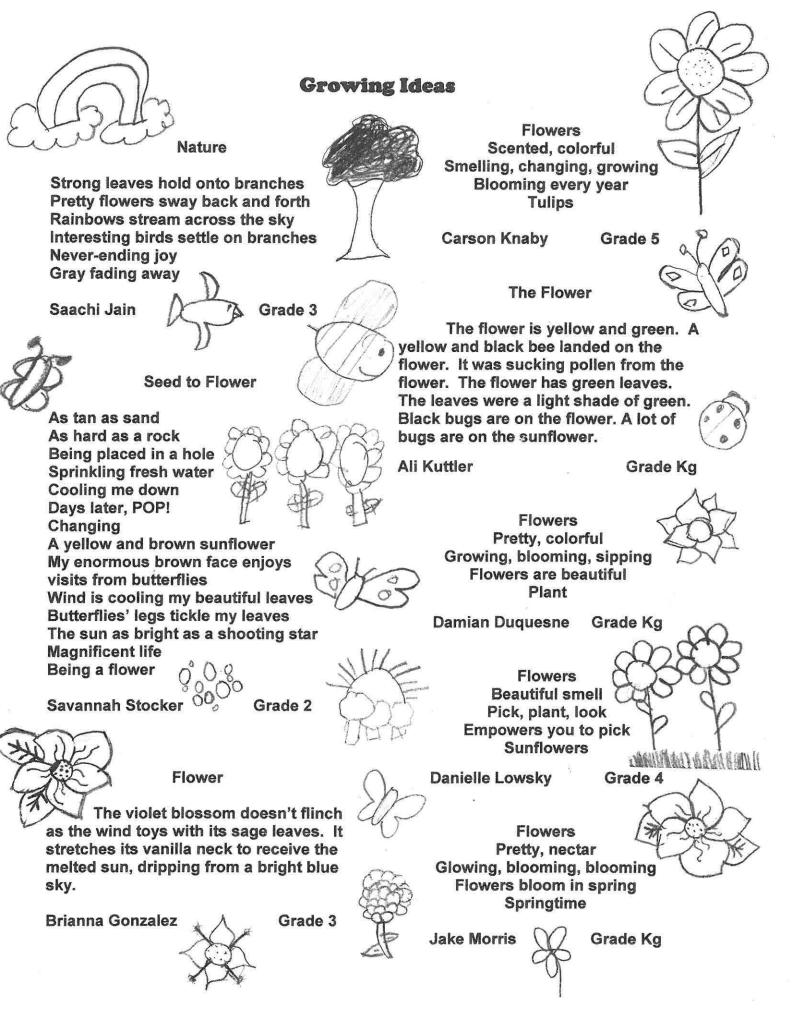


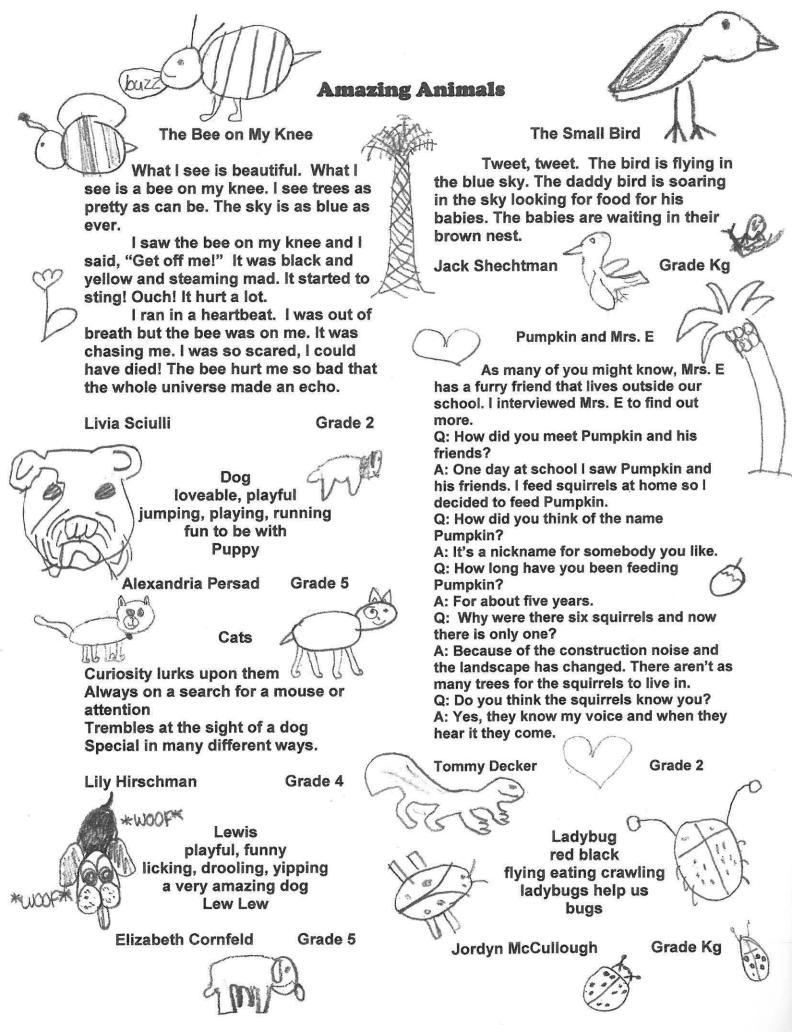
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Tori Bien

Grade 1















Alone

I am alone and frightened I glance around the lush outdoors The wind whistles through my ear

I feel a chill Not a person or thing to comfort me

I look at the sky my mind is cleared I'm sitting in my backyard alone

Secrets

Aysha Zackria

Grade 2



Secrets are horrible, terrifying, and oh yes it's true Secrets are something witches stir in their bubbling brew. Now don't they sound really bad? But to be honest with you, I have a couple secrets too.

**Bethany Balanoff** 





A majestic thought soaring through my head I sound like a herd ramming the city. If I had a choice I would take the hard way.

Brave

Jordan Frank

Grade 2





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My mom looks like a snowflake falling from the crystal sky. She sounds like a newborn bird singing. She smells like a red ripe rose blooming in a lovely garden surrounded by beautiful flowers. She feels like a gentle rose petal. When she kisses me, she tastes like yummy chocolate. She fills half my heart with love!

Clarissa Zisman



Dream

I see a place where I can do anything or be anyone I want. A place where you can express your feelings in a way that you could never do in real life. A place where you can't be judged or made fun of.

Where your dark shadow lights up and shines forever. You can't buy a dream in a store,

or anywhere. It is in your heart. All you have to do is find it.

Andrew Singer

Grade 4

Lonely

Lonely I sigh and weep and cry, Nothing to do. Alone, dark, quiet; I just wait and wait Listening to sounds of birds and children, Quiet in the corner of my bed, I sigh.



**Stewart Hughes** 

Grade 2

My Mom's Voice

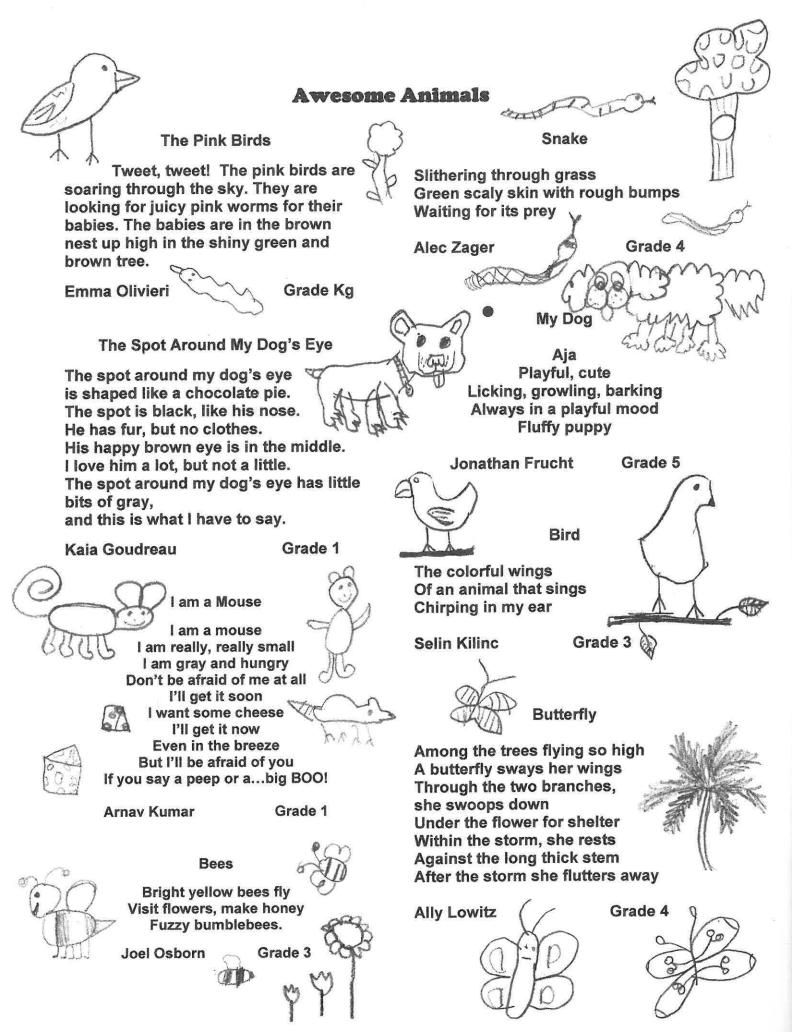


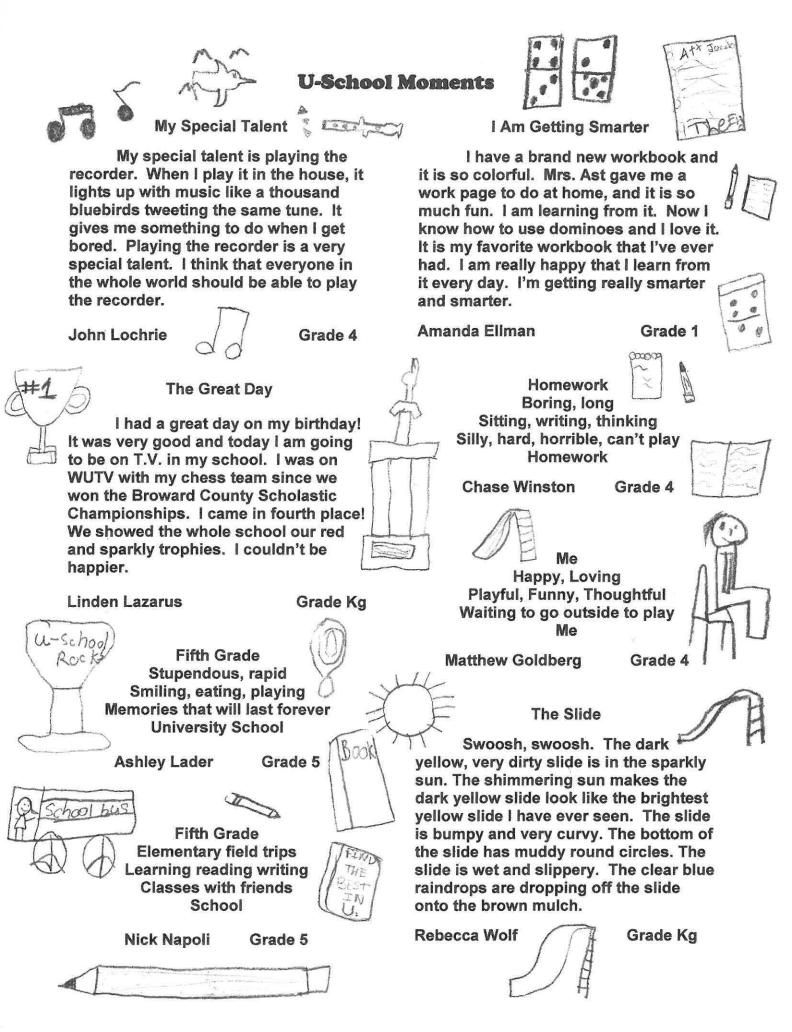
My mom's voice brightens up my day. When I'm sad, she cheers me up with her soft sweet voice. When I'm angry, her voice calms me down. Each day my mom tells me to try new things. My mom's voice always gives me confidence. In my head I can hear my mom's soothing voice calming me down. No one's voice can replace my mom's.

Julia Ray



Grade 3





## What a Wonderful World

The Everglades

A great enormous willow tree hangs over the sunlit water, as three herons fish with their orange beaks. Palm trees shade rabbits, raccoons, and other ground creatures. Mangrove trees silently eat and drink, watching everything around them. Squawking birds fly gracefully as fish dark from here to there in the lake. Alligators soundlessly swim while frogs noisily croak and hop on lily pads and coconuts swing in the breeze.

The Florida panther teachers its young to hunt prey as the bobcat does the same, in the Everglades.

**Dylan Mclver** 

Grade 5

Grade 4



New York City boom, boom, honk walking, driving, doorbell ringing getting a headache

New York, the Big Apple

Sydney Glicksman

If I Could Fly to Mexico

If I could fly, I would go all over the world. I would see Mexico where the trees are green and the water is blue. I would see clear jellyfish squiggling through the water. Now that is going to be pretty! I would swim in the deep blue sea and I would catch some fish there too. I would probably go to some restaurants while I was there. I would eat chips and salsa on the beach.

Lara Wagner

Grade Kg

If I could fly, I would go to Washington D.C. to see the White House. I would meet the president and shake his hand. I would ask him to go to lunch with me. We would eat hot dogs and drink Sprite. I would say goodbye to Barack and fly back to Florida. Grade Kg Jake Loeser The Show I sat in my seat and waited and waited. The bright lights began to dim and then it was as black as night. The red curtains went up. I heard the beautiful music. I saw the sign language woman slowly moving her hands in the air. The characters danced on the stage and smiled at the audience. I clapped my hands. It was a signal for Annie to begin. What a wonderful show!

If I Could Fly

Evan Eiglarsh

Grade 1



If I Could Fly

If I could fly, I would go over a flower garden. I see the flowers making a colorful rainbow and a fluttery butterfly dancing. The wind pushes me over and I feel I am going to fall in the soft flowers. I also see that a big, yellow and black bumblebee is trying to sting me—I better fly fast!

Amanda Kopelman

Grade Kg

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