

# Passion Of Poetry

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## **Acknowledgments**

I have chosen “Child’s Vision” as the poem for the back cover of this year’s anthology. It demonstrates the wonder and vision of our world through a child’s eyes. Their love for life and thirst for understanding coupled with a sense of wonder, enables a more intense view, unhindered by the sense of doubt and disbelief that afflicts many adults. An adult needs proof and reinforcement where a child needs only to believe.

Passion of Poetry members have shared their visions with us through their writing this year. Within these pages you will see the world through their eyes and feel their tears, thirst, laughter and their aspirations.

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Ashley Vautour

Gr. 5

## **Remember**

Remember  
With poppies  
And two minutes silence  
Soldiers suffering  
Dying for peace  
Remember

Athena Williams

Gr. 6

**S.O.S.**

Keep listening to this song  
Even though it makes me sad  
It's about a little girl  
Who never really sees her dad  
Reminds me of myself  
Because you're never home  
The only time I talk to you  
Are early mornings on the phone  
I know you want to be here  
But let's face it you're not  
You once promised you'd stay home  
But it looks like you forgot  
It's really not fair dad  
Though you understand my pain  
But a phone call a day  
Is just not the same  
I know that you're trying  
Yes I know that you are  
But can't you realize  
We've not come very far  
Perhaps one day, yes just perhaps  
My dream will finally come true  
And we'll have time together  
To spend just me and you

**Myself**

The media is always trying to make up my mind  
plenty of lies; all different kinds  
can't let me make my own choice  
it's not up to you whether or not I like her voice  
don't tell me what clothes to wear  
or what's the "Cool" way to put up my hair  
I can do that myself  
I don't need your help  
Cool isn't wearing a mask that doesn't fit  
It's wearing your own personalized mitt  
I've known the truth since the start  
This message comes sincerely from the heart

**Thank Heavens For Us**

why are we expected to clean our parent's mess?  
they think we're annoying and that they are the best  
"don't do that, no, you're not right"  
I think the kids should lay down the rules tonight  
we tell them our way of mind  
then 1 second later we get denied  
well at least we tried  
yes we try we try our best  
then as soon as we go to take a rest  
"no, no, there is one more chore"  
once we do that one they've found plenty more  
but then again...what are kids for

**Just Have Fun**

Put down your text books take out your work sheet  
Don't talk till that work is fully complete  
Stay in for study hall  
Your work isn't done at all  
Time to clean out your desk  
It's such a mess!  
Take out your math; it's time to learn fractions  
To bad school isn't one of those allergic reactions  
Get off the Playground yells the student advisors  
To bad elementary schools are just appetizers  
There is more to come  
So just have fun  
It's not all that bad  
In the end you'll be glad  
Because these teachers helped you  
So life's easier to get through  
You learned your math and social studies  
You had a chance to teach your reading buddies  
Soon when it's over you'll look back to when you were ten  
Then you'll wish you were back at school again

### Thank You

He understands me twenty-four seven  
this person, I believe, comes from heaven  
he's a gift from God I'd have to say  
'cause I could yell at him and he'd love me anyway  
when I need a shoulder to cry on, I look to him  
he always brightens the room whenever I feel dim  
he can make me smile whenever  
and to pull this off, he's got to be clever  
he calms me down whenever I'm mad  
this special person, I call my dad

### Weird, Annoying

Weird, annoying, that's what you say  
Stop it please just take your words away  
My heart will not shatter just because of you  
The words that you say and the things that you do  
Could you be nice, just at least try  
Does it make you happy to see me cry  
I try to block your words, I try not to hear  
But each time your comments come out crystal clear  
Is there something wrong that I cannot see  
That makes you want to always pick on me  
You make my happiness suddenly drop  
I just can't take it, could you please just stop



**Breana Quevillon**

**Gr. 4**

**One Dismal Day**

One dismal day  
I went out to play  
But it was raining outside  
So I sat down and cried  
It finally stopped raining  
So I got my dog from training  
Played with him the rest of the day  
Not remembering a thing from earlier today

**Birthdays**

Birthdays, birthdays, so much fun  
So much fun for everyone  
Presents, presents, presents galore  
Birthday cake, I want some more  
One more thing, you're one year older  
And every year you get even bolder  
Birthdays, birthdays are so much fun  
Birthdays, birthdays, for everyone!!!

**Breana Quevillon**

**Gr. 4**

### **Santa Fell Off The Roof**

Santa fell off the roof  
And landed on Rudolf's hoof  
When he screamed HELP!  
The dog gave a yelp  
So an elf came out  
Which made Santa shout  
"Help me to my feet  
I've other houses to greet"  
The elf saved Santa's night  
Then watched him streak out of sight  
More houses to land on  
Before Christmas dawn

**Chelsea Leonard**  
**Gr. 5**

**Christmas**

**C** is for Christ  
**H** is for helpful  
**R** is for reindeer  
**I** is for icicles  
**S** is for Santa Claus  
**T** is for toys  
**M** is for Merry Christmas  
**A** is for Angels  
**S** is for stars

**Jack Frost**

During the night  
While we're all asleep  
Over the tree tops  
He silently creeps

Yellow and red  
Orange and gold  
The pretty fall colours  
Begin to unfold

Chelsea Leonard  
Gr. 5

**My Poppa**

Smiling blue eyes  
And almost bald head  
So many good things  
Could always be said  
About this man who  
Always wore a smile  
And in all that he does  
He'll go that extra mile  
His favourite things are  
"Le Canadiens" and "The Rocket"  
But his greatest treasure is  
My picture in his pocket

Cody O'Shaughnessy

Gr. 8

### **Hope Of Terry Fox**

Walks in darkness and light  
For hope and a cure  
The strength of disease  
He'll finish the walk for sure

Disease taking over him  
His heart strong and pure  
Pumping life and love  
And all obstacles endure

He pushes with a limp  
Settling his leg by dipping in a lake  
With a soul no one could shake

His heart was bright  
And hard as stone  
His soul, love and spirit  
To many people was shown

His prosthetic leg  
Was as mighty  
As bone

Cody O'Shaughnessy

Gr. 8

### **Inner Strength**

Kneeling and eager  
Listening for the gun  
For now it is silent  
Before I start to run

Staring ahead of me  
The other runners wait  
Gun triggers the start  
We're out of the gate

My legs like rubber  
On our way to the wire  
Inner strength pushing me  
Won't let me tire

Adrenalin fills me  
Victory's in sight  
I took the medal  
But the race was tight

**Daniel Pilon**

**Gr.4**

**Sand**

Have you ever felt sand  
In the palm of your hand  
Have you ever felt grief  
Or felt full of relief  
I don't care if you do  
I'll just tell you  
Please don't weep  
That's admitting defeat

**Season**

To every season, there is a reason  
A time to give, a time to receive  
But everyone has to believe  
A time to live  
A time to love  
But always remember  
The man above

**Daniel Pilon**

**Gr.4**

**Near**

We watched you suffer  
Day by day  
And could not help  
In any way  
But just stood by  
And watched you pass  
Into the Saviour's  
Arms at last  
And when we saw you  
So calm at rest  
We knew your passing  
Was for the best  
Although we're saddened  
And shed many a tear  
We know in our hearts  
You'll always be near

(In memory of my mom, Debbie Pilon)



Daniel Pilon

Gr.4

**Rose**

When you look at a rose  
What is it you see  
Look very carefully  
See the true texture  
It is so beautiful  
A true wonder of the world  
See it as I see it  
Let it fill your heart with joy  
Let your gaze fall upon it  
As it basks in the sun's warm smile  
And know it is heaven sent  
to give joy and beauty  
To each and every soul

Jake Grise  
Gr. 8

**My Grandfather**

My grandfather had  
A heart of gold  
Of love and kindness  
He had a strong hold  
But then he grew old  
And became quite ill  
But even the sickness  
Could not break his will  
His disease spread  
To his very core  
My grandfather then fell  
To the cold, hard floor  
Just one week later  
My grandfather died  
When I was told this  
I knelt and I cried  
Now at the funeral  
I honour my grandfather  
My pain wasn't over  
In front of that alter  
Although I feel pain  
I know he's at rest  
I can tell you my grandfather  
Was really the best

Jake Grise

Gr. 8

## **Peace**

For the countries to stop  
From waging all war  
For the countries to stop  
And lay down their swords

For the countries to stop  
All shooting and fighting  
For the countries to stop  
And just start uniting

This would mean peace  
No more would they fight  
This would be peace  
No more tears in the night

Jake Grise  
Gr. 8

**Tower**

To fight for our freedom  
The veterans had power  
But the people who died  
Were spread round the tower

In awe of their sacrifice  
We now bow our heads  
The price of our freedom  
Is the souls of the dead

To show our gratitude  
We wear this red flower  
For all the brave soldiers  
And the people round the tower

Kaitlin Landry

Gr.4

### **A Poppy Is To Show**

A poppy is to show  
So everyone will know  
That soldiers passed away  
To keep us free today  
Wear a poppy Remembrance Day  
To honour those that passed away

### **Surprise**

Early one morning, I arise  
To a most beautiful sunrise  
Looking out of my bedroom window  
I'm greeted by a large Black Widow  
I jump back in great surprise  
What a sight to greet these eyes  
Thank goodness it is outside  
Or I'd be looking for a place to hide

**Katie Regimbal**

**Gr. 6**

**Grandmother**

Great  
Redeeming  
Amazing  
Divine  
Mighty  
Over a rainbow  
Together  
Happy all the time  
Ever so helpful  
Right

**Friends**

Friends are caring  
Friends are the best  
They help you  
When you're down  
Or need a shoulder  
To cry on  
They love you  
And you love them

**Katie Regimbal**

**Gr. 6**

**Christmas**

C is for Christ Child

H is for Heavenly Angels singing in the night

R is for the Redeemer who sent His son to die

I is for Israel where He lived

S is for our Saviour born in a stable

T is for twilight

M is for Mary a caring and loving mother

A is for Abba Father

S is for the star that shone brightly

**Angels**

A mazing

N ice

G ood heavenly people

E ven Angels rebelled against God

L ucifer wanted to be higher than God

S inging to the heavenly Father

**Mining Town Of Mine**

There's this little town I know  
When I'm down and low, I like to go  
Back in time to when silver shines  
That Cobalt town of mine  
Around a lake the silver flows  
I live in this town that's how I know  
An axe thrown at a fox  
It missed and hit a rock  
A city was built all around  
That is where the silver was found  
A hockey team we once had  
From what I heard, they weren't bad  
Busy people everywhere  
Many stores to stop and stare  
The silver capitol of the world  
Voted most historic by boys and girls  
I've made many friends in this town  
They are easy to be found  
So next time you're feeling blue  
Here's a suggestion I have for you  
Go back in time to when the silver shines  
That Cobalt mining town of mine



Saphyre Peddie

Gr. 4

**Lights In The Sky**

Just before I went to bed  
A question dancing in my head  
What are those lights up in the sky  
On evening's blanket seem to lie  
"Those are stars my sleepy head  
Now time for bed" my mother said  
Morning came with a sky of blue  
Where are the stars I have no clue  
Are they hiding out of sight  
Waiting for the dark of night  
I thought about it throughout the day  
Waiting till the sky turned grey  
With pen and paper I am keen  
To write about the things I've seen

Dear Diary

They're Back!! They're back!! Those lights in the sky  
Oh how I've missed them, my oh my  
they twinkle and they shine  
I wish they were mine  
They're up so high  
I wish I could fly  
But I can't so I'll wait  
Because I'm only eight

**Taylor Leveille**

**Gr. 6**

**My Tears Are Real**

I know they can't hurt me  
These names that I'm called  
But inside I'm weeping  
The words seem to scald

At times I wonder  
What they really see  
Each time they're teasing  
And making fun of me

If only they knew  
The pain that I feel  
If only they could see  
That my tears are real

**Poppies**

Soldiers died to save us  
We are free because of them  
Poppies are beautiful  
A tribute to brave soldiers  
We are proud to wear a poppy

**Taylor Leveille**

**Gr. 6**

**Remembrance Day**

Everyday we pray  
Everyday we sigh  
Everyday we wonder  
Where they lie  
They gave their lives  
So we could be free  
So we could live happily  
As I sit here and cry  
All I want is to say Good Bye

**Snowflakes**

One, two, three, four  
How many will drop  
Here comes one more  
Five, six, seven, eight  
How many will come  
I just can't wait

**Taylor Church**  
**Gr. 6**

**Breezy Night**

Over the ocean  
And the seas  
In my hair  
I feel the breeze  
So soft  
And sweet  
How kind  
And neat  
The way it blows  
The way it flows  
On this breezy night

**Fall**

F - falling leaves  
A - amazing colours  
L - lovely breeze  
L - long sleep

**Life**

Life is like a video game  
You only have a certain amount of things  
You must also be careful the choices you make  
Because in real life, you don't get a second chance

**Taylor Church**  
**Gr. 6**

**Empty**

It's the day before tomorrow  
I wish for something new  
But every day's the same  
Do dreams ever come true?

If I could have one friend  
To share all my joys  
To whisper my secrets  
All about boys

But I just feel empty  
I've no friend in sight  
Yes I just feel empty  
With no friend in sight

**Halloween**

**H** Hurrying door to door  
**A** Aching arms  
**L** Lots of candy  
**L** Looking scary  
**O** Orange pumpkins  
**W** Witches flying  
**E** Erie noises  
**E** Eating candy  
**N** Not that scary

**Taylor Church**  
**Gr. 6**

**Love**

Love is like a red rose  
It just grows and grows  
It is intertwining and fine  
It is happiness divine

Love is like a daisy  
At times drives me crazy  
A daisy blooms in spring  
Love makes me sing

Love is like a tulip  
It makes me do flips  
It blooms in the mist  
Love is the greatest gift

**Wishing For Wings**

If I could have one wish today  
I'd wish to just fly away  
Over the mountains  
And the hills  
Soaring through the sky  
How I wish that I could fly  
So I stay  
And sit all day  
Wishing for wings

**Straight to Love**

You're walking on a narrow street  
You meet a guy that's really neat  
You stop and talk a little while  
And every word seems to wear a smile  
You laugh and giggle, you talk away  
Then time is gone, you walk away  
Then you stop to think  
Hey! Maybe I'm on the brink  
Of falling in love!!!

Olivia Olsen

Gr. 6

## **My Papa**

Me and my Papa  
Have lots of fun  
Me and my Papa  
Make our dog run  
My Nana and Papa  
Live on a farm  
Love all the animals  
Not one could they harm  
Me and my Nana  
We just love to shop  
My Papa stays home  
And tends to the crops  
I really miss them  
When I have to go home  
At least I can always  
Talk to them on the phone

## **Surprise**

Early one morning, I arise  
To a most beautiful sunrise  
Looking out of my bedroom window  
I'm greeted by a large Black Widow  
I jump back in great surprise  
What a sight to greet these eyes  
Thank goodness it is outside  
Or I'd be looking for a place to hide



**Olivia Olsen**

**Gr. 6**

**Snowman**

Snowman Snowman  
I have bad news for you  
The snow is melting  
And soon you will too

Snowman Snowman  
You're fate is cast  
We were such good friends  
Though we knew it couldn't last

**Snow Day**

S - slippery white stuff  
N - no school  
O - often fluffy  
W - wet and slushy  
D - days go by  
A - a lot of snow  
Y - yes it's cold

**Remember**

When the soldiers died  
Their families cried  
When you talk about Flanders Field  
All of Cobalt stopped and kneeled  
We remember by wearing a poppy  
All the other towns will copy

## Child's Vision

Colours, so vivid  
Beauty to behold  
Wide-eyed in wonder  
As rainbow unfolds

Scent of a blossom  
And yet so much more  
Magic of nature  
Each petal's implore

Touch of a soft breeze  
In gentle embrace  
Invisible fingers  
Caressing small face

Seasons hold marvel  
Can't comprehend  
Simply a miracle  
At each's impend



Hatred has no home  
Race, no imply  
All are just people  
Sharing one sky

No proof is needed  
Enough to believe  
Life holds no limits  
All can be achieved

Love, unconditional  
Trust without fear  
Frailty of nurture  
Painted in tears

We lose with age  
Vision of what's real  
Captive of ideals  
That won't let us feel

Brian Beaudry