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Hello, PoemHunter! My name is Shelbie Hale, as you can see, and I'm currently a junior in high school. I've been published twice in compilation books of poetry because of submitting my poem 'The One' to a contest by World Poetry Movement. I'm also a member of my school's archery team, last school year being my first year. I was a rookie in the beginning, but near the end of the season, I guess I improved a lot, because I won the William Tell Award for Most Improved Female on the team. I've been writing poetry for over 3 years now. I hope you enjoy reading my work!

As The Rain Falls

As the rain falls
Your face is the only thing I see
Your friendship, the only thing I need
Together we stand, you and I
Nothing less than friends for life
Hold on to memories of today
Never forgetting yesterday
No matter how much hurt and pain
Forever friends we will remain
As the rain falls

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Bus Ride

On the lonely bus ride home
Sitting, sadly, all alone
How I thought my friends and I had grown
Who would've known
That being at the top could hurt do much
Cold as ice, hot to the touch
But now I clearly see
That person was not me
But what good came of the choice I've made
My memories have began to fade
Slowly fading into dark
It feels like something's ripped out my heart
Sitting, sadly, all alone
On the lonely bus ride home

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Mad Cows

Every night when the milk gets warm

The cows go mad, let this be a warn

Don't journey into these farms at night

For you will be running away with fright

Cause when the cows go mad

You better get sad

Before you get had

By the cows gone mad

But if you choose to stay

Let me just say

That you will go mad

After You get had

By the cows gone mad

Oh no! The population is growing

Growing, growing, so that it's flowing

What do we do, what do we do?

Maybe a mad cow will come to your house, too.

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My Quest

All my life, I've wanted to be
Someone people know, somebody

I want to be the main event
To have accepted every friend request sent

I want to be the one everyone knows
To be the performance at the end of the show

It's my time know, my big break
But I have no intention of being a fake

I want to be one of the greats of tomorrow
The one many people of Twitter will follow

My journey won't be over until I'm at the top
I'm giving it my all, and I'm not gonna stop

There are so many things I plan to do when I get there
As for my friends, with them my glory I'll share

Soon they all will know my name
For I will not cease on my quest for fame

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Rain Shadow

[rain shadow- a region having little rainfall because it is sheltered from prevailing rain-bearing winds by a range of hills.]

I recall a time every face I saw was warm

Then, so suddenly, I got caught in a storm

I became a drifter, always an empty look on my face

I did nothing but let the wind carry me from place to place

It seemed it would stay like this the rest of my life

Trapped inside a raging whirlwind of strife

Then out of the darkness, there came a light

One of many great things, for it shined so bright

So then I was set free, finally let out

I've found my true purpose, without a doubt

I could finally see, after feeling so blind

All the friends I've made are so caring and kind

Though they do tend to get a little crazy at times

We have lots of fun, so I don't really mind

I'm now surrounded with all these feelings I can't hide

No, I couldn't tuck them away if I tried

I can't deny all these feelings of happiness and love

That make me stare deep into the blue sky above

I see now with these friends, I'm never truly alone

As long I always have them as my rain shadow

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Silent Soldier

You there, please look here

I need you to see me now

Search the dark, cloudy skies

If you look hard enough

You'll find my signal flare

When you see me, don't pass me by

Please, please don't pass by

For I am wounded, deeply wounded

Though you may not notice at first

Who am I, you wonder?

I am one with a broken heart

A tortured soul left for dead

By the world closing in around me

Please help me heal

Will you heed my cries?

These words are my SOS

Please act before it's too late

Before my fire dies out

Who am I, you ask?

I am but a silent soldier

Fighting the war of emotions

From deep within the soul

I fight to keep the flame alive

The flame flickering within my heart

A flame that's so close to burning out

Though the war will never truly end

Comfort me, please, my friend

This battle has raged for far too long

Can you set me free?

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Thank You My Friend

I look up at the stars
And I see your smiling face
Just to know you are my friend
And I can always count on you
Helps me to sleep at night
The sky is so beautiful now
I have loved life before
But until this point in time
Had never known such happiness
Such friendship as yours
Thank you my friend

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The Archer's Bow

The archer and his bow
Are always two of a kind
Like the bow is alive
They share a synced mind

The archer and his bow
Cannot be torn apart
For shot after shot
They share the same heart

The archer and his bow
Never cease to amaze
They are together
Throughout all days

The archer and his bow
Without each other, are nothing
But when brought together
They are quite something

The archer and his bow
Take aim and let the arrow fly
It hits, fast as lightning
Perfect bulls-eye

The archer and his bow
Celebrate victory
The greatest of all
The archers in history

The archer and his bow
Always achieve glory
Though this is the end
Of their epic story

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The Forgotten One

You ask who I am
Well, who do you see?
An old friend faded away
Or a distant memory?

Do not concern yourself
Though I have yet to be set free
Is there no one honorable enough
That could help someone like me?

I stand at the end of the hall
Each and every single day
I always look directly at you
Could you be the one to help me find my way?

No one ever walks with me
I have always walked alone
I have no friends to share things with
No place that I belong

So I am just a simple leaf
Drifting through the wind
On a sad and lonely journey
That seemingly has no end

However long it takes
I will always wait for you
To come and lift me from the ground
And help me see things through

So until then I'll keep going
Until I find a place to stand
I've known this many times before
And I know exactly who I am

I am the forgotten one

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The Heart Of A Friend

There is a place inside us all
Where we can go to hide
From all the bad we've ever done
And from our injured pride

This place is called the heart
The only place we can confide
When we feel hurt and alone
We choose to keep our thoughts inside

It does little good, though
To go it alone in the end
If you look hard enough, however
You'll find comfort in the heart of a friend

It is the kindness of others
That brings forth the best in us
We learn many different things
How to love, share, and trust

As we continuously move forward
Time will heal all wounds, they say
Helping mend our broken hearts
Every day is brighter, we pray

You see my friend, have no fear
For you are never truly alone
Do not despair in times of hardship
You have the heart of a friend to call home

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The Nameless Friend Poem

A friend is someone who will take your hand
when you've been knocked down and pull you up again
A friend is there through thick and thin
with friends like that you'll always win
A friend shines big and bright
like a darkened tunnels end light
A friend is someone who cares for you
and always knows just what to do

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The Nameless Journey Poem

Come take my hand
To another land
I don't want to leave you behind

I couldn't bear
To leave you here
You're always on my mind

So let's spread our wings
And fly away from here
On a journey that never ends

The journey may be long and hard
But I don't care, as long as you are there
Beside me, my very best friend

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The One

Bullies, criminals, pedophiles

Try to make their victims live in denial

Who do they think they are, they're not better than us

Just because they worship a Satan below us

The disabled, diseased, the hungry; If you have food give them some

All they can do is wait for heroes that never come

Unless something is done to make things right

So they may be able to sleep at night

So all I can say is, do your part

Let the form of helping become a new art

When this is over, let me say

That it could be the start of a new day

Open their eyes, let them see

That you could be the one to set them free

WILL YOU BE THE ONE?

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The Wolf Within

This is how the story goes
Of the lone wolf
Who no one had ever really known
Until she finally stood

I wandered from pack to pack
Needing somewhere to belong
But all of them would say, 'Stay back! '
When I howled my mournful song

Of the wolves that would get near me
They would always call me names
Tearing me down, piece by piece
To break me was their aim

Then came the day I stood my ground
They still tried to act so tough
But I would not back down
That still didn't make them give up

The battle was so hard and long
I thought the bell of my death would surely toll
But a voice deep inside me said,
'Don't give up, lone wolf, your claws have not yet dulled! '

So loud enough for others to hear
I howled of the battle I'd won
Then came a pack of kind wolves that said,
'It's okay, lone wolf, we're here. Never again will you be alone.'

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Watch Me

I once was a castaway who’s true self no one could see
Stranded on an island in a vast, endless sea

Now everything’s become better than what I ever thought
All that you have to do is sit back and watch

Watch me, see how I’ve changed over time
Watch me, look at all the mountains I’ve climbed

Watch me become more than what I am now
No longer a simple face in the crowd

Watch me, as I embrace all the love I’ve felt these days
Watch me, as my troubles begin to fade away

Watch me grow wings and finally fly
Soaring high above the clouds in the sky

Watch me, as I start to finally shine
Watch me, as I finally leave my past behind

Watch me when I let all my pain go
So that one day the world will finally know

Watch me, as I’m able to become so free
Watch me, finally unafraid to truly be me

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What Matters Most

For the longest time I had been searching
For answers as to why I'd been hurting

I never thought I'd find my way
For I was so long lost in the fray

I needed to find somewhere to belong
Something to hold onto to make me strong

Now I've finally found what I've been searching for
I'm feeling happier than ever before

This thing I found was not a material object
It's something so much more, that I'd do anything to protect

It's something from the heart, to hold close on through the hardships
One of the strongest forces in the world, something called friendship

I became apart of something, I am no longer on my own
I've changed a lot from how I was, and over time, it's shown

I've become a better person from my experiences long ago
I often wondered the meaning of life, but now I know

In the end, it matters not how long a life we live
What matters is the things we do, how much we are willing to give

So until the day comes where I draw my last breath
I'll live my days to the fullest, having no fear of death

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Why My Heart Beats

My heart beats for me; My heart beats for you
My heart beats for good; My heart beats for truth
My heart beats for life; My heart beats for love
My heart beats for health; My heart beats for the sky above
My heart beats for laughter; My heart beats for my friends
My heart beats for family; My heart beats ’til the very end
In the end I will not die alone.

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