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Behind Me

I am willing to give my whole but
behind me she says you cannot
I'm pushing myself to do what is right but
she insists I'm not born as that
I'm doing my best to achieve the goal but
she said it's too far
Whenever I'm in good side
she is always pushing and pulling me in the other side

She is not letting me to cross over in this dim-narrow-tunnel
She wanted to share her desperate life to me
She wanted me to be like her
hate the world and forget the word "happiness";
But I'm not for that.
Stop teasing me.....
S-t-o-p...stop
Because one more move I could be yours.

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Challenge Accepted

It took me too long to prepare
A lot of papers,
A lot of sweat,
A lot of tears,
I exerted to fulfill this dream.

A dream that years ago
I failed to get
But with God's help,
With a lot of blessings that He gave,
I am pursuing the dream,
A dream that I thought
I'm totally forgetting.

This was not the path
I suppose to track,
This was not the career
I suppose to pursue.
But what happened now?
I'm now standing in front of delegates and authorities
Proving to myself that I am the one, the one they're looking for.
Yes I am... I am...

Realizations struck me...
This challenge was not that easy
Shaky hand, teary eyes is what I got.
But in the end,
I proved to myself, to everyone
That I can stand, in front of everyone
Proved to them that I can carry
The challenge I accepted.

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I Never Looked Back

You gave everything to me
Things I need were provided by thee
Things made me comfortable
Things made me famed
But in the end, I turned my back
And never looked back.

You've accepted my faults
You've loved it and made it special
You've loved the whole me
You've made my imperfections perfect
But in the end, I turned my back
And never looked back.

You gave me hand when I needed you
You fixed my problems in a minute or two
But when you need a hand or a shoulder to cry on
I moved away, turned my back
And never looked back.

Everyone is so good to me
Never encountered someone selfish or thoughtless
But what I did? I turned my back and never looked back.

If ever I could go back to past
I want not just to look back
But to offer my hand like what others have done to me
Thank everyone who showed kindness to me
Be selfless and I will never ever turn my back
If ever I could look back.

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Is She The One?

I'm dreaming of a girl,
A girl who will make me smile.
A girl who could show that happiness
Is not only for a while,
But could also be forever.
I hope she is the one that I'm looking for.

I'm dreaming of a girl...
Who could teach me
The real meaning of love.
A girl who could picture out
The real image of life.
A girl who will lead me into the right path.
I hope she's the one that I'm aiming for.

I'm dreaming of a girl,
A girl who can accept
The imperfections that I have,
Who could love the real me
And the differences we have.
I hope she's the girl that I want to love.

I'm dreaming of a girl...
Who could lift me up when I'm down,
Who can be proud to have me,
And who is willing to be with me
Until the last day of my life.
I hope she's the one that I want to be my forever.

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Lapud Pinabli Taka (A Pangasinan Poem)

Lapud panamablek ed Pangasinan
Ngaran to agko dudutakan
Dyad pusok agko lilinguanan
Ya sika say luyag ko ya nianakan.

Lapud panamablek ed Pangasinan
Ikinon koy tua ton karakepan
Ikinon ko met tua ton yaman
Lapud iraraya su mangiiter na dayaw ed marakep ton ngaran.

Lapud panamablek ed Pangasinan
Itanem kod kanunutan na siopaman
Ya ayay luyag mi
Luyag na pupyugagipen na karaklan.

#Jope

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Mata

Sa pagsilip ng salamin,
Mga matang mapupungay ang aking napansin.
Matang tila ba nangungusap,
Matang punong-puno ng pangarap.
Tila ba familiar ang mga matang iyon.
Tinanong ang sarili kung kilala ko ba iyon.

Sa patuloy na pagtitig
Matang aking nakita biglang lumuha umabot hanggang bibig
Mukhang ito'y labis na nasaktan
At pinahirapan ng kanyang karanasan
Nais kong punasan ang luha nya ng panyo
Ngunit bigla na lang, pagdalamhati nya'y naramdaman ko.

Sa muling pagsilip sa salamin
Iniwasang makita ang matang sa aki'y umaangkin
Ngunit walang anu-ano'y mga mata naming muling nagtagpo
At sa puntong ito galit naman ang nakita ko
Nagliliyab ang titig ng matang dati'y mapungay
At tila ba gusto akong mapatay.

Natumba ako ng hindi ko alam
Sa pagbangon ko, salamin ay nasa akin paring harapan.
At muli kong nakita ang mga mata
Na punong-puno ng pangarap noong una
Ngunit di naglaon, dahil sa lupit ng lipunan na kanyang ginagalawan
Siya'y naligaw ng landas at pagkatao nya'y di na nya maintindihan

Ano nga kaya ang nangyari sa may-ari ng matang aking nakikita?
Ilang saglit pa, mata ko'y bigla na ding lumuha.
Ipinikit ko ang aking mga mata at pilit na pinigilan ang pagluha.
Nang muli kong binuksan
Saka ako natauhan
Dahil ang mga matang aking nakikita
Ang nagmamay-ari ay ako pala.

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Pangasinan Akin Nipeg Takan Aroen? (A Pangasinan Poem)

Say cuanen Dr. Jose Rizal,
'Say toon aga unniningneng ed pinanlapuan,
Aga makasabi ed panunlaan.'
Balit, antoy nipeg kon ningningen ed luyag kon pinanlapuan?

Say Pangasinan,
Dalín na mayayaman
Naikdan na likas ya yaman
Ya panbibilayan.

Say Pangasinan,
Luyag na totoon walay pankakasakeyan.
Diam naningneng say tuan kareenan,
Ya pupyugagipen na karaklan.

Kasantingan...
Say tuan naningneng ed Pangasinan.
Kanyan nipeg ya imutektek ed kanunutan,
Pangasinan aroen tan ag lilinguanan.

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Pangasinan Why Do I Need To Love You (A Translation Of Pangasinan Akin Nipeg Takan Aroen?)

Dr. Jose Rizal says,

'He who does not know how to look back at where he came from will never get to his destination.'

But, what will I need to look back at where I came from?

Pangasinan,

A place of wealthy people

Because it was given rich natural resources
that gives source of living to Pangasinenses.

Pangasinan,

A place of people who have unity

Here you will see peace that is truly

That is a dream place to many.

Beauty...

Is what you can really see here in Pangasinan.

So you must bear in mind,

Pangasinan love it and don't forget it.

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Salamat At Paalam

Dalawang salita
Ang isa masarap sa tenga
Ngunit ang isa nakakaluha.

Salamat
Unang salitang sasambitin
Sa mga taong nagmahal sa akin.

Salamat LNU sa tiwala at pagkakataon na iyong binigay
Salamat sa pagkakataong makapaghagi ng talino at kakayahan
Salamat sa mga taong tawag ay Lycean

Salamat sa mga kaguro at boss ko na mababait at matatalino
Salamat sa inyo na nagsilbing kuya, ate, tatay at nanay ko.
Pangalawang pamilya na ang turing ko sa inyo.

Salamat sa mga naging estudyante ko
Mga estudyanteng kilalambing at kitatalino.
Kung kayo'y natuto sa akin
Ako rin naman natuto sa inyo.
Salamat... salamat sa inyong lahat...

Pagkatapos ng 2 taong pananatili sa LNU
Ngayo'y mamaalam...
Salitang ayoko sanang sambitin.
Sa aking paglisan meron sana akong aral na naiwan
Dahil nakakasiguro akong kayo'y tumatak di lang sa isipan
Kundi pati na din sa aking puso.
Salamat at paalam.

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Si Myrna: Ulirang Ina

Si Myrna isang huwarang ina
Gagawin nya ang lahat para sa pamilya
Lalong lalo na para sa mga pitong anak nya
Pambansang ilaw ng tahanan ang bansag ko sa kanya.

Si Myrna minsan mabunganga
Sya ang alarm clock namin tuwing umaga
Namimiss ko tuloy nung ako'y nagaaral pa
Di ako mali-late dahil sa boses nyang masarap pakinggan sa tenga.

Kung hindi dahil sa suporta ng aking inang mahal
Di ko matatapos ang aking pagaaral
Di ko makakamit ang pangarap ko sa buhay
Kaya't ang sukli ko sa kanyang pagpapagal
Pinanangako kong pagiginhawain ko ang kanilang buhay
Syempre isama na din dyan si itay..

Si Myrna siya ang aking ina
Hindi ko sya ipagpapalit sa iba
Di rin ako maghahangad ng higit sa kanya
Dahil huwaran sya at dakila

Kaya't Nay ito'y araw ninyo
Pasasalamat galing sa puso ang alay ko
Maraming salamaht dahil kung hindi dahil sa inyo
Hindi ko matatamasa ang matiwasay na buhay ko.
I LOVE YOU...
#happymomsday

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Si Summer

Nag-iinit sya't umaalab,
Hot na hot nagliliyab.
Yan si Summer,
Ang aking sweet lover.
Labi nya'y pula,
Sarap hagkan, di ako magsasawa.
Everyday akong sumasaya,
Pag si Summer aking kasama.
Feel na feel ko ang init nya,
Dinadama't sinisinta.
Summer makes me sweat,
Sa kanyang pagiging sweet.
Summer...oh...Summer...
I want to be with you forever.

That was her before.
Pero si Summer, ngayon nagbago na't sumuper.
Super init, super sungit.
Sensitive pa sya minsan
Konting galaw ko lang agad akong bubulyawan.
Nag-iba na sya...
Yung hotness nya hindi na sweet, sobra pang sungit.
Mga konting effort ko di na nya maappreciate.
Ayoko na kay Summer.
Di na sya ang dati kong lover.
Wala na ang aming forever.
Pero sa kabilang banda,
I miss her na...
Ang dating sya...
Dating Summer na aking sinta.

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Sigaw Ng Isang Sawi

Dahil sa pagibig ginawa ang hindi nagagawa
Nagpakatanga kumbaga.
Dahil sa pagibig sumugal at ipinusta ang lahat na meron sya.
Dahil din sa pagibig nasaktan sya't lumuha.
Nagbago... nagpakalango... inabuso ang sarili...

Napatid sya at nadapa
Pano sya babangon kung ang buong katawan nyay walang maramdaman...
Walang maramdaman... kahit na sugat na sugat na hindi pa makaramdam
Parang puso lang nya na dahil sa sobrang pagkadurog hindi na alam ang salitang
"pakiramdam"

Minsan lang umibig...
Nabigo pa..
At minsan lang din pala sya magiging masaya
Dahil ngaun ikinulong na nya ang kanyang sarili
Sa kwadra ng kalungkutan at pagdurusa

Sinisisi nya ang kanyang sarili sa bigla nyang pagkawala
Hindi kasi sya marunong magmahal
Hindi kasi sya bihasa sa larangan ng pagibig
Kaya ayan tuloy sinukuan sya at iniwan

Anu ba naman ang pagibig na to
Akala ko ba'y saya ang ibibigay mo
Puro lang pala sakit at pait ang dulot mo
Gawa ka nga ba talaga ng diyos o ng demonyo?
Kasi may mga nagdurusa ng dahil sayo.

O pagibig pagibig pagibig....
Panu ba kita matututunan
Mukhang mahirap ka atang makamtan
Bakit ganto na lamang ang iyong ipinaramdam.

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This Dilemma

Here I am again staring at nothing
Wishing that these things are not happening
I wish I am that sunset I am staring
When I feel gloomy and when I feel everything seems to be wrong
I could hide behind that beautiful mountain
So that no one could see me cryin'
Why do I need to feel this
Why do I need to experience this and
Why do I need to be in this
The answer to those questions?
I think no one could ever give
I want to call your name
I want to share these feelings to you
I want the right person who could lean an ear
A right person who could give the right pieces of advice
But whenever I think of you I'm afraid that you will just refuse
I'm afraid that you will run away and blame me with these problems
I'm afraid..... yes I am afraid...
Help me get over in this
I wish I could be sunrise
That when this ends I could still show my face and I could still form a beam into
my face.

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Tuan Pangasinense (A Pangasinan Poem)

Tuan Pangasinense ka
Nu maaro kad kapara
Nu say panantulong, likas ed sika
Tan nu nununuten moy ibagam bago ka mansalita.

Tuan Pangasinense ka
Nu lilingapen moy yaman ya intir na Diyos ya Amarsua
Nu tatakilingen moy produkto ya nanlalapu dia
Tan nu labay moy kareenan ya tua.

Tuan Pangasinense ka
Nu walay takot mo'd Diyos ya Amarsua
Nu say ateng mo aaroen mon talaga
Tan nu amayamay su kaarom ya maaaro singa sika.

Nu walad sikan amin ya,
Say tepak nipeg mon naala
Lapud tuan Pangasinense ka!

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Tunay Na Kaibigan... Meron Pa Nga Ba?

Sa panahon ngayon mahirap na atang
Makahanap ng matatawag na tunay na kaibigan.
Isang pader na pwedeng masasandalan
Sa kapanahunang ika'y natitibag at naguguluhan.
Isang compass na hindi ka hahayaang maligaw
At tubig na papawi ng iyong uhaw.

Sa panahon ngayon sino pa nga ba
Ang matatawag mong tunay na kaibigan.
Isang diary na mapagtataguan mo ng sekreto
At mapagbubuhusan mo ng emosyon mo.
Isang flashlight na iilawan ang iyong daan
Para hindi ka matisod sakaling madaming harang.

Sa panahon ngayon sino pa nga ba
Ang matatawag nating tunay na kaibigan.
Isang kaibigang mananatili sa iyong tabi
Para patibayin ang loob mong sawi.
Isang kaibigang matutuwa at magdidiwang sa tagumpay mo
At malulungkot at magwawala sa kasawian mo.

Sa panahon ngayon...
Meron pa nga ba?
Meron pa nga ba tayong matatatawag na tunay na kaibigan?
Kung meron ka, maswerte ka kaibigan
Dahil meron kang pader na masasandalan
Sya'y magtuturo ng tamang direksyon mo gaya ng isang compass
Sya'y tunay na kaibigan
Matuwa ka't magdiwang
At dapat mo syang mahalín at pahalagahan.

Kaya't sa mga itinuturing kong mga tunay na kaibigan
Salamat at hindi nyo ako iniwan.
Tunay nga kayong kaibigan
Sa lahat ng panahon palagi kong nasasandalan.

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Welcome To My Universe!

If ever you will let me
I will make a new universe out of creativity
A universe that you and I will love
A universe that is made out of love.

If ever you will let me
I will make a universe that shows beauty
A universe that composes shining stars
Stars that has different shapes.

If ever I will make a new universe
Stars' shapes will turn into hearts
Because heart symbolizes love
And love is what I have.

If ever I will make a new universe
I will make sure that it is reachable by humans
So that there's no more theories
And no conflicts that will arise.

If ever I will make a universe
Humans can live in other planets
All planets will sustain lives
So that no more overpopulation
No more problem and worries.

If ever I could make a universe...
Please be there...
Because your presence will make my universe perfect.

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What If...

What if I see a genie?
Will he grant 3 wishes to me?

What if my eyes can't see?
Will I imagine a world better than what it is today?

What if I have superpowers?
Will I use it to save the world or use it to control the universe?

What if I can be invisible?
Will hiding pain and true feelings possible?

What if I can see the future?
Will I see myself change for better or for bitter?

What if I have wings and fly?
Will it bring me to the beautiful part of the sky?

What if I die?
Will I make people cry?

What if I'm just dreaming?
Will the reality better or I'll just want to go back to sleep and continue dreaming?

What if...

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