

Poetry Series

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Someone said, 'you'll be a good writer someday'. Being alone in 32 years now and working as English Teacher since April 2007. I have been teaching for five years in a private school for both elementary and high school department. I'm currently pursuing my graduate studies, MA in Educational Management. I took and passed the Licensure Examination for Teachers last August 2001 and Career Service Examination last July 2001. I worked as a call center agent for two months in an international account and a data encoder for a year. I became an awardee of Rose Educational Assistance Program for three years. This is an educational assistance program by a Fil-American professor of California. I became an editor-in-chief of our school paper (Traders Post) and became an assistant school paper adviser (The Theresian) of STCDCFI (June'02-Dec.05. As of now, I'm working for my first novel.

Being Alone

I am alone
I have no brother nor sister
Yet, I'm happy...

I am alone
I have many friends
Yet, I'm lonely...

I am alone
I am always going alone
I am always going alone in the dark...

I am alone
I want to see the beauty of the world
I want to hear the sound of the sword
But I can't...because I'm alone

I am alone
I like to be with you
I want to join the group
I want to help them
I like to teach them

Why am I always alone?
Why am I isolated?
Why am I secluded?

Please answer me
Please help me
Please take care of me
I am alone....being alone...

I want to be happy
I don't want to be lonely
I want to know you
Even if I am alone...

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Being Far

This poem is dedicated to Korean students studying English

When I call, you say 'Hello'
When I ask, 'How are you?'
You answer me, 'I'm fine. Thank you.'
That's what I always do especially for you.

Being far to teach you
I'm so happy when you tell me you're fine
To learn about English
Is always what I really wish...for you.

English is fun and easy to learn
Even if it is hard for you to mean
Sooner or later you'll enjoy to speak
The language as you know it very quick.

I'm glad to be your teacher
Though we are far from each other
I'm happy that you're my student
To teach you is my best compliment!

Good luck and good job
These things I always tell you
Everytime I say goodbye for my call
I know you learned something at all!

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Falling Water

(This poem is dedicated to Yoo Roep 'Elly' Han of South Korea. She's an ESL student. She requested me to write this poem.)

Hey, falling water...
Where do you come from?
You flow into the river
And evaporate into the air.

You make the plants happy
When you come all the way
Don't pour too much, okay?
To keep them safe everyday.

You make the temperature cold
A falling water to behold
You help wash away the dirt
That each and everyone can get.

Oh, rain please go away
You come in another day
It's because I want to play
Happy that I should be today.

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