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# Rae Carroll - poems -

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So I'm new at this, I've really only written poems for school before. And i would have NEVER put any on here if it weren't for spell check because I'm a terrible speller, so even though I have a great vocabulary I never use it in my writing unless I know its spelled right because people make fun of me. So feel free to be harsh if you think my poems deserve it, but please don't laugh at me. And I'm still a kid and am not, nor plan to be, dead anytime soon!

# A Child's Smile

For what is the choice?
Of a little child
To lose their voice
And be able to smile

# A Tearing Tear

A tear, a tare
Right through reality
Suddenly, it's all right there
Hectic chaos and insanity
You're caught in it
An inescapable snare
Losing your humanity
If only for a bit
It seems a thousand years

## **Apple Tree**

There was an apple tree in my backyard The feat of climbing it was very hard But when all the children came out to play It was climbing it that they spent the day It was bound to happen anyway Still the snap scared my breath away The little leg of the little boy Was snapped in two like a broken toy They said he would never walk Now the tree seemed to mock The joy that it had once brought To all the kids around the block It was all my fault! I knew And still the tree grew and grew No more children came to play I wouldn't have let them either way When I heard the laughter I couldn't believe I asked him if it could really be That he could still live so happily But when his eyes looked up at me In their blue depths I could see A little boy climbing up the apple tree

## **Beware The Shadow Children**

Beware the shadow children
Beware their laughing eyes
For inside them lays a surprise
Death is woven in their hair
They skip and laugh
But beware their wrath
With nothing inside
They duck and hide
Leading you far away
Into their lair
Without a prayer
Beware the shadow children

#### **Earth Bound**

The roots wrap around me like chains
Crying so hard it rains
The rocks seem to loom like an eternal tomb
The Earth keeps me bound like ropes
Crushing all my hopes
As I sink below I say goodbye to the sky
The world becomes dark as night
Stolen from me is my sight
The grass covers my head like a blanket
I take my last breath
As the roots wrap around me like chains

## Fly In The Wall

Why can't I

Be like a fly

Squished so easily

Wished away, so measly

What is the difference between me and you

Is that different in me to?

Can it be seen?

Can it be touched?

What does it mean?

Does it count that much

Why is it here

What does it want?

All I see is a mirror

A reflection that haunts

But now you are gone

Like you were before

I waited too long

I needed more

Time; to what?

To heal, to see

To look down deep inside of me

It wasn't what I saw

It was what I felt

The ice inside me had stated to melt

Dripping off my beating heart

Leaving it open, alive and free

Helping me wait for you so happily

I hear it now, your coming back

Everything's great until the splat

Of the fly hitting the wall

With that sound you've ended it all

The ice has grown back and I'm starting to fall

No more different

Than I was before

Now indifferent

Like I was before

## Follow The Yellow Brick Tracks

The railroad tracks are my yellow brick road
I keep walking on them, waiting for it to turn yellow
But all there is rusty metal
I keep looking for my tracks to change to bricks
But all there is rotted wood
I keep walking, waiting, fearing, a train will come
And knock me off my tacks

# Hana To Akuma

Love stories that end differently
No ever after or happily
A life ends so silently
But can't you see?
The love story that used to be?
For better or for worse
Their pure love that graced the Earth

#### Like The Movies

In the Hollywood movies you know the game Who's at fault, and who's to blame How it can be fixed and mended Wouldn't life be better if we all pretended? That it was written all out No need for pain, to scream and shout If there was a princess, and you were her Your life swirling round in a glittery blur Oh just imagine how it would be Living inside a Hollywood movie We wouldn't ask how Or what or why We wouldn't care so long as we didn't die No one wants to know what then Happens after The Happy End

#### Little Lines

Little lines Marked by big boisterous signs Keeping everything neat, no leaks No touch, no contact For a love needs that To grow But who would know Living inside their lines Everywhere, endless mimes Too out of it to look or care To step outside, to try and dare To trust each other, not even one The love in these lines equals none No love from mother to son The silence here is loud and clear Even though you are so close, so near But the lines separate us Not a lot, but enough There is no love inside our lines None of yours, not even mine And so we stay Until the day When one comes out and yells "it's okay" But even then I wonder when If we wouldn't stay sitting down Now and forever, silent clowns

## **Love And Grow**

But what are we to know
How to love and how to grow
Little knowledge, little us
A little more and then we must
Love and grow
Lest we choke on seeds so low
Because we did not know

#### Mother's Son

It should never be done For a mother to have to bury her son In a sad tombstone filled place Giving him over to the grounds embrace It could have been anyone But why, oh why was it a mother's son? Who decided to let him die? What is she supposed to do? Get back up and start to dry The never ending tears from her eyes He was her first and only hers Now she's living out the curse Of life without him on this Earth She remembers from his birth Happy times, with no hurt It could have been anyone But why, oh why was it a mother's son? But over there is another Bending, grieving a mother But who is she to have to bear Burdens that will always wear On the hearts of mothers everywhere She sees no life left to live And yet her heart refuses to give It is strong and will fight And live the life Taken away from one to young It could have been anyone But why, oh why was it a mother's son?

# Tangled Hair

Standing with her lover there
I hold the umbrella high
Behind Lady Éclair
I let escape a small sigh
As I watch his hands tangle her hair
I think of the dreary life that is all mine
Of the many mistakes
I made throughout my time
But by now it is far too late
If only he knew that for him I cared
Would it be me standing there?
In place of my beautiful Lady Éclair
With his hands in her tangled hair

# They Say We Are (Garbage)

But is it true
Is it in me, is it in you
They throw it away
Scattered on the highway

Mounds on the street

Out of people's mouths we meet

Does it ever leave?

They say we are

It's there today

And tomorrow again

It weighs on the trees till they start to bend

And crack, snapple, pop

All we have left are piles of rocks

No more plants

No more planet

It's used to be

No better than pretend

Its history

That started when the trees began bend

It's not in you, it's not in me

It isn't what we are

But somewhere, way off far

It's weighing down the trees

## What Are We To Know?

Earth is solid and always remembers Wind is at a never stopping flow Fire withers like a dying ember Water exacts living tolls But what are we to know

#### You Can

You can't get out, it stays trapped inside There was never a doubt, it's all a lie The danger is you, it's a siren call Of the hunt, of the people mauled Man or not which is you? It hurts a lot, but is it true? A doubled sided coin in the air Which side will it land on, do you even care? Claws and teeth, your weapon of no choice Crying your pain in a silent voice Born each night, with no innocence Why do you sing, is it to be heard? No one listens, not even the birds Why are you here does it make any sense? The pain of your skin is just far to immense Where is the bliss, the end so near Is it all an illusion, a trick in the mirror Why can't I go yet? what purpose do I serve Why am I trapped here? What curse have I earned Why can't I go and die peacefully As every human being has a right to be