



Write On! 2010

A Literary Magazine by the Students
of Valley Stream District 30

Words are sacred. They deserve respect. If you get the right ones, in the right order, you can nudge the world a little.
~ Tom Stoppard ~

This nineteenth edition of Write On! beautifully showcases the thoughts of our children in their writing. Please take the time to read the work of our District 30 students. Express your enjoyment to the student authors of the works included and to the teachers who helped them in the writing process.

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Second Grade



Red
by Steven St. Clair

I am red
Like apples falling in the grass.
I am hot
Like a rose growing in the Spring.

Red
by Nathanael Moore

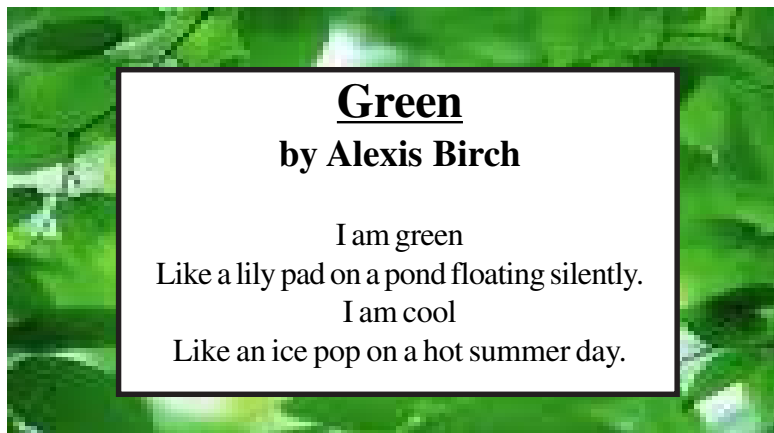
I am red
Like a summer day in August.
I am hot
Like the equator with lots of volcanoes.

Red
by Nikaella DeTassegalles

I am red
Like an apple on a tree.
I am hot
Like the sun in the sky.

Red
by James Ford

I am red
Like lava in a volcano.
I am hot
Like the equator about to explode.





Our Class Butterflies by Ms. Neiss' second grade class

In April our caterpillars arrived here,
It made our class cheer!

They were so tiny when they first came,
We gave them each a name.

The caterpillars were so new,
All day long they grew and grew.

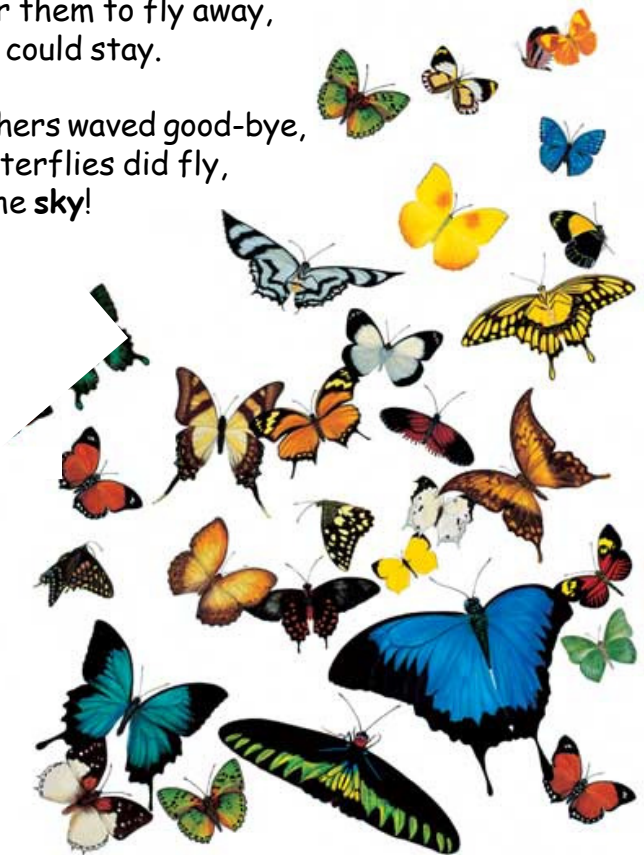
They went into their chrysalis,
Our caterpillars we did miss.

Out of the chrysalis they came,
Our caterpillars were not the same.

Before my eyes was a butterfly,
This I tell you is no lie!

Now it was time for them to fly away,
I wish they could stay.

Moms, dads, and teachers waved good-bye,
And off the butterflies did fly,
Into the sky!



Ramon the artist
Always respectful everyday
My mom is a hero
Out of this world
Nifty at playing Sonic Disc on Wii



by **Ramon Regan**

Awesome at riding my bike
Always try my best on my math test
Rock at playing drums
Outstanding friend
Nice to others



by **Aaron Harrington**

Chi Chi is careful and safe
Helps Mrs. Pares if she needs help
Intelligent

Cares about others
Happy
Includes others in games



by **Chi Chi Chizuruoke**

Darnel helps people
A really good brother
Ready for school on time
Never do the wrong thing
Excellent in soccer and math
Lend a hand to help others



by **Darnel Esprit**

Always do my work
Bike riding
Do like to play with friends
Understanding people's feelings
Like pokemon cards
Love my mom and dad
Always listen to my parents
Happy when I'm on the playground



by **Abdullah Bismil**

Super runner
Excellent reader
Breakdancer
A very good helper
Terrific writer
Incredible basketball player
A good worker
Never give up



by **Sebastian Rodriguez**



TyQuann is a good student
Yummy grapes are good for me
Quality work is what I do in school
Unique because I read very well
Athletic
Nice to everyone
Never gives up

by **TyQuann Walker**

Responsible student
Excellent at soccer
Invincible in reading
Always try my best
Nothing can stop me



by Reian Daniels

James is my middle name
Always try my best
Handsome
Nice to everyone
Eagles football team rocks
America is a great place to live
Loving boy



by Jahneal King

Samuel smiles a lot
A good boy
My family is special to me
Understanding
Excellent friend
Loving person



by Samuel Mignott

Victoria is a tall girl
I can swim
Cats are great
Terrific at singing
Out of this world in reading
Radio plays cool music
I love to race
A great friend



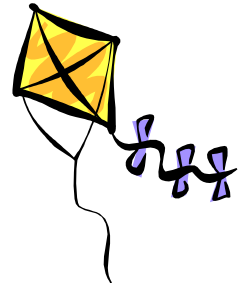
by Victoria Alcala

Rhema is a nice girl
Hard worker
Excellent job in math
Marvelous artist
A amazing girl



by Rhema Pressley

Kite flying
Riding bikes with grandpa
Ice cream cones with whipped cream
Skating with mommy
Things I play with are princesses and dolls
Interesting bugs
Nice things for you I will do



by Kristin Cirillo

Always organized
Loving
You make me smile
So cute
Such a nice friend
Adorable as always



by Alyssa Deonarine

Zebbras at the zoo
Incredibly baseball player
Outstanding helper
Never give up



by **Zion Blackman**

Kind to all
Always there to help
Young 8 year old
The best basketball girl
Adorable actor



by **Kayta Thomas**

Destinie is a smart girl
Easter is my favorite holiday
School is fun
Terrific at playing games
I love to read
Nuts are a healthy snack
Intelligent
Excellent friend



by **Destinie Marshall**

Red is my favorite color
Understanding person
Shy when I meet people
Happy when I play with my brother and sister
Pretty
Rhema is my best friend
Excellent at reading
Extra special friend
Terrific daughter



Brandon is a good student
Really special because I'm nice
Always play with my DS
Nice and kind to others
Dogs are my favorite animal
Outstanding person who always cares for people
Nervous on the first day of school



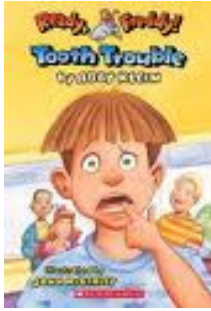
by **Brandon Nelson**

by **Rushpreet Kaur**

Anthony is good at baseball
Nice friend to everybody
Thoughtful and kind
Helpful and wonderful
Outstanding at driving a quad
New York Yankees rock
Yankees are the best team



by **Anthony Latino**



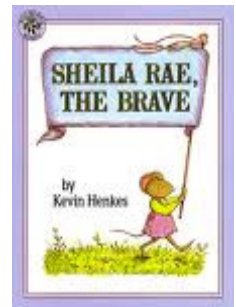
Ready Freddy **by Zohaid Mirza**

I recommend Ready Freddy because it is scientific, cool, and it has good illustrations. Freddy wants something. Find out if he gets it. You might like Freddy because he is smart and at the end you have to read the book and Freddy's code. I have to go get the book because there might be one more left.

My Book Review **by Manal Moid**

The book Sheila Rae, The Brave is funny. The illustrations are very good. At the end, Sheila Rae got lost and her sister brought her home. This book teaches us a lesson. The lesson is "don't brag."

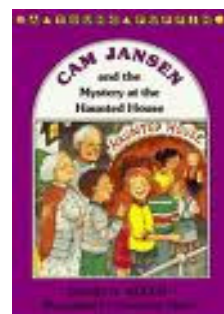
So go buy the book now! Before you buy the book think if you might not!



My Book Review **by Aliya Jooma**

Do you want to read about friends and mysteries and see cool illustrations? I recommend this author and illustrator. In my opinion this book should get an award for illustrations. I don't know if you will like the illustrations but I'm sure you'll like the story. I am very interested in this book.

The book Cam Jansen and the Mystery at the Haunted House is about two friends who go to an amusement park. They go into a Haunted House and solve a big, humongous, scary mystery. I don't think you will get scared. This story is not true. It is fiction.

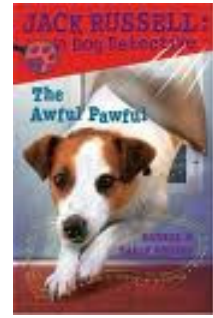


I have a lot of comments for this book. Good ones. This is one of my top 10 favorite books. If you buy this book you would want to read it more than once for sure. You should buy this book. You're not going to want to let it go. Just like me.

My Book Review

by Ryan Pean

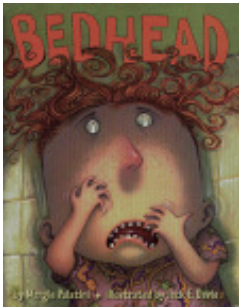
I recommend the book Jack Russell: Dog Detective - The Awful Pawful. By the way, the Awful Pawful is a cat and it attacks cats! It is a mystery. The book was so funny. Jack Russell bit Fox's tail and Fox thought it was the Awful Pawful. I loved it! You should buy all the Jack Russell books NOW!



Bedhead

by Danielle Lennon

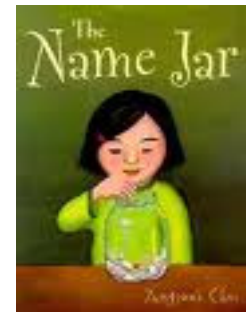
I think the book Bedhead is funny because Oliver's hair went popping out. It was humiliating when his hair popped during the picture. Have you ever had a bad hair day like Oliver? You should get the book so you can see Oliver's face at the end.



The Name Jar

by Soban Choudhry

In The Name Jar Unhei was Korean and came to a new neighborhood. Unhei was new to a school and had no new friends. No one said her name right except for a nice boy. Ready to find out how the class learned to say Unhei's name correctly and liked her name? Read this book to find out.



My Book Review

by Tayeeba Ahmed

My book is called The Library by Sarah Stewart. This book is excellent. Elizabeth Brown loves to read. She carries this book everywhere. Elizabeth never wants anything else. She can't stop reading. I'm just like Elizabeth Brown who loves to read. David Small drew lovely illustrations. Don't waste a second! Buy this book now before someone takes it.





In March, Mrs. DeRicco's class read the story "The Leprechaun's Gold" by Pamela Duncan Edwards. The students realized that there are many different kinds of gold!

My Gold...

by Christopher Lewis

My gold is my family that loves me so much. My grandparents love me a lot and they help me and care for me when my parents are away. I love them too and this is why they are my gold.

My Gold...

by Katelyn Contreras

My gold is my family and friends because they are there for me and I love them very much. They care about me, just like I care about them. The most important thing in my life is friendship and family.



My Gold...

by Brandon Thomas

My gold is my family because my mom, cousin, uncle and grandparents are the best. They love me. My cousins like playing with me. My uncle rescued me from a big dog. My Grandma is the best baker. My mom always takes care of me when I am not feeling well. These are all the people who are my gold.

My Gold...

by Emily Baque

My gold is my health. I eat right and do exercise like running and push-ups. You need to exercise because your heart is important.



My heart is gold because if I do not have a strong heart I will not be happy and healthy.

My Gold...

by Jessica Estevez

My gold is my dog Nicky. She is cute and adorable. Nicky is very delicate because if she bangs into something she could get hurt. To keep her healthy we give her a very special food. It has vitamins in it and keeps her from getting sick. She is so special to me and that is why Nicky is my gold.



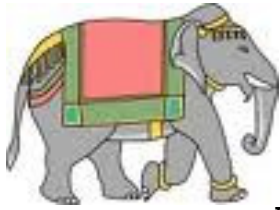
My Gold...

by Angelica Buitrago

My gold is my dog Rocky. I picked him because he loves me so much and he makes cute puppy faces. He is the best dog I ever had. Rocky is the coolest. When I get up from the dinner table and then come back to my chair, my plate has no food because Rocky eats it. I don't get mad. I just tell my mom. Sometimes he sleeps in my bed. That's why I picked him for my gold.

My Magical Kite **by Courtney Chamblin**

One cold, windy and rainy day, I was sitting in my small chair doing nothing at all. Suddenly a big magic kite flew through the door. I knew it was a magical kite because it had a transformer to change its color. It was glowing. It turned into a fast flying magic kite, so I jumped on. I knew that this would be the best day ever!



We went to India and I ate Indian food. It was so delicious. Next I rode on an elephant. I got an Indian dress. I went home as it started to rain. Then I saw the kite go away in the rain. That was the best day.

My Magical Kite **by Kyle Harper**

One very sunny, bright day, I went for a walk at the park. Suddenly I found a magical kite in the air. It looked like a rocket ship. It could fly like the birds. After



I grabbed it, I knew it was magical when it took me to Trinidad. It was exciting to fly through the air on the kite, but I was also a little scared. I saw clouds, birds and planes when I was flying. When I got there, I went to my cousin's house. I gave the kite to my cousin Justin. This magical trip made me feel out of this world!

My Magical Kite **by Aaron Santiago**

One very hot day I was in the backyard with my sister. I found a beautiful kite in my garage. The kite had blue stripes. I knew it was a magical kite because it was shaped like a rocket ship. My kite took me to Puerto Rico.



Flying in the air was cool. I saw clouds that looked like big cotton balls in the sky. I went to my grandparent's house. I ended up having a good time. This magical trip made me feel happy.

My Magical Kite **by Kiara Puca**

One windy day I went for a walk in the park. I saw a lot of children and families playing. I saw a very tall tree and it had apples. I saw a very magical kite. I knew that it was a magical kite because it flew on its own. It had spots and pink circles on the kite. I looked at the magic kite and asked it to take me to Peru where my family lives.

When we were up in the sky the kite went faster and it made me a little dizzy. The kite was flying high in the fluffy, white clouds. The kite and I went to my house and ate a delicious meal. Next the kite took me to the park and we played all day long. Then we had to leave and go home. The kite made me feel like I was special. It was a great adventure!



My Magical Kite by John Soliz-Martinez

One day I went to the park. There I saw a magical kite. I knew it was magical because it was flying on its own and it had sparkles all over it. I made a wish and the kite took me to the WWE Championship.

When I was flying I saw the clouds and birds. I felt amazing! When I got there I watched the fight of Triple H and The



Undertaker in the ring. The night went very fast. When the fight was over I took pictures with The Undertaker. The kite needed to take me home. Soon I was flying again and thinking about how cool The Undertaker was. I wish the kite could take me to all his fights.

My Magical Kite by Saneen Pervez

One very hot day in the backyard I saw a kite on the grass. The kite had pink dots on it. I knew it was magical because it was following me wherever I was going. The kite took me to Florida.

When I was flying through the sky I felt like I was an angel. When I got there I went shopping. I went home to see my family. This magical trip made me feel special.



My Magical Kite by Amari Paul

One very bright, sunny day in the spring we were packing our bags to go to Canada. I thought I found a pretty red rose but it was a kite that looked like a rose. I knew the kite was magical because it changed colors. As soon as we got to Canada the kite taught me to be like a spy. We went to Applebee's because we were hungry after the spy mission. We were full when we were done.



We went to our hotel room and took a rest. Then I knew how hard it was to be a spy. After that mission I was so tired that I flopped on my bed and fell asleep. That was the best day of my life.

It was so much fun to be gliding in the air like a kite. What I saw up there was the beautiful sun, the colorful birds and the big puffy clouds. When I got to my hotel room I fell asleep and my kite did too. I felt so happy when the day ended.





Ms. Smithok's second grade class did a take-off on the story Where the Wild Things Are

Where the Fancy Things Are by Feyi Sayo Rufai

One day, I went to my mom's room and I took out her make-up. I put it all over my face. She was so mad that I touched her make-up that she sent me to my bedroom without my lunch.

My room grew into Hollywood with a glittering ocean in the middle. There was a huge private yacht waiting for me. When I got on board, there was a special seat just for me. I was surprised and happy because I didn't know it was waiting for me. We sailed away to look for an island.

On the island there were fancy super stars everywhere. They had way too much make-up on their faces but they still looked beautiful. They saw that I loved the way they looked so they asked me to be the Queen of the Fancy Things. Of course I said yes. We all agreed to have a great big party to celebrate my being Queen. After the party all I wanted to do was go back home.

I woke up in my own cozy bed. There was a table with my lunch on it. It was pizza and it was still nice and hot. I was happy because I missed my mom and I was very hungry. That fancy dream was really fun!



Where the Peaceful Things Are by Malaika Zaidi

One day after school I went into my bedroom and got my scissors. I went into the living room and cut my mom's sofa. At night my mom came home and saw what I did. She told me to go to my room right away and she sent me to bed without any dinner.



When I went to my bedroom it turned into a forest and then an ocean appeared. I got on a magic carpet and it took me to a beautiful island. The island had roses, rainbows, and no rain. The people could only say peaceful things and wear green clothes.

The island also had some monsters but I stared at them with my peaceful eyes and then they became nice. They made me the Queen of the Peaceful Things. I told them that they should start a music parade. After the parade they were tired so they went to bed. I was tired too, and I wanted to go back home even though they wanted me to stay.

I woke up in my own bedroom. I was so happy to be home. There was a tray next to my bed with my dinner on it and I ate it all up. I was glad that this was just a crazy dream.

Where the Noisy Things Are!

by Kore Fuller

One day after school I went outside in my yard. My dog came outside to play with me but I hit him with my ball. My mom was mad when she saw that I hurt my dog. She sent me to bed without any dinner.

When I got to my room, trees were growing everywhere. I saw an ocean and there was a big magical truck waiting to sail me to a far away land. I got in the truck and I sat for a long time. It felt like eight hundred years. It took me to a great big island.

On my way to the island I saw a big dragon in the ocean. He was making loud noises. When I got on the island there were giant dogs everywhere. They were barking and making a lot of noise. There were huge cats and they were roaring. I looked at them and told them to stop being so noisy and they listened to me. They made me the Hero of the Noisy Things. I was having fun but I missed my family.

When I woke up I was in my room sitting at my desk. I fell asleep with my head on a pillow on my desk. I could smell my dinner. It was hot dogs, Chef-boy-ardee, and a big glass of orange soda. I was glad I was home.



Beauty is... by Franzen Saintilus

Beauty looks like a puppy playing with a ball.
Beauty sounds like crickets in the night.
Beauty smells like an apple pie baking on a cold day.
Beauty feels like my dog Zena's fur when I pet her.
But beauty is always special!

Learning About A Coral Reef

by Muaz Rehman

The article "A Coral Reef" was very informative for me. First, it taught me that sea animals, like fish, can hide in coral from other sea animals that might want to eat them. Then I learned that fish can swim through a coral reef. Next, I learned that the coral heart is made of dead fish and that when skeletons of dead fish stick together, they make a coral reef. Finally, I wish I could see a coral reef some day.

When I read this article I began to wonder about it. I wonder why when fish are dead they stick together and make a coral reef? Maybe not only fish, but any other living things in the sea can form a coral reef. Maybe when sharks are skeletons they stick together and make coral reefs. I wonder if whales, octopuses, sea turtles, star fish, or even snakes can make a coral reef. Maybe they can't, but maybe they can!



How Rocks and Stones Change Shape

by Jericho Lee

The article "A Stone Heart" was very informative for me. I learned that rocks and stones change shape by erosion. I was surprised to learn how they change their shape. The information I learned about rocks and stones was so interesting that I want to learn more about it by visiting the public library and doing some more research.



This article made me wonder about so many other things about rocks and stones! I wonder what causes erosion. Maybe water bumps the rocks together. I wonder why erosion happens. Maybe it's healthier for the earth. I wonder where I can find rocks and stones in different shapes and sizes. I learned that you can find many rocks in mountains and deserts.

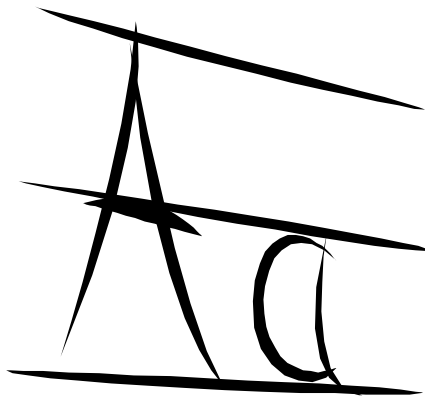
Learning About an Owl Heart

by Hadassah Registre

This article was very enjoyable to me. First, I liked how the owl head was shaped like a heart. Then, another reason I enjoyed it is I like the color of the owl's coat because I love brown. Next, the article said that an owl is nocturnal. That means that it sleeps in the day and it's awake during the night. This was very interesting to me.

When I read this article I started to ask myself questions about it. I wonder why the owl's head is shaped like a heart. Maybe they're born like that or the head turns into a heart shaped head as the owl gets older. I am going to look it up on the internet so I can get some answers to my questions.





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