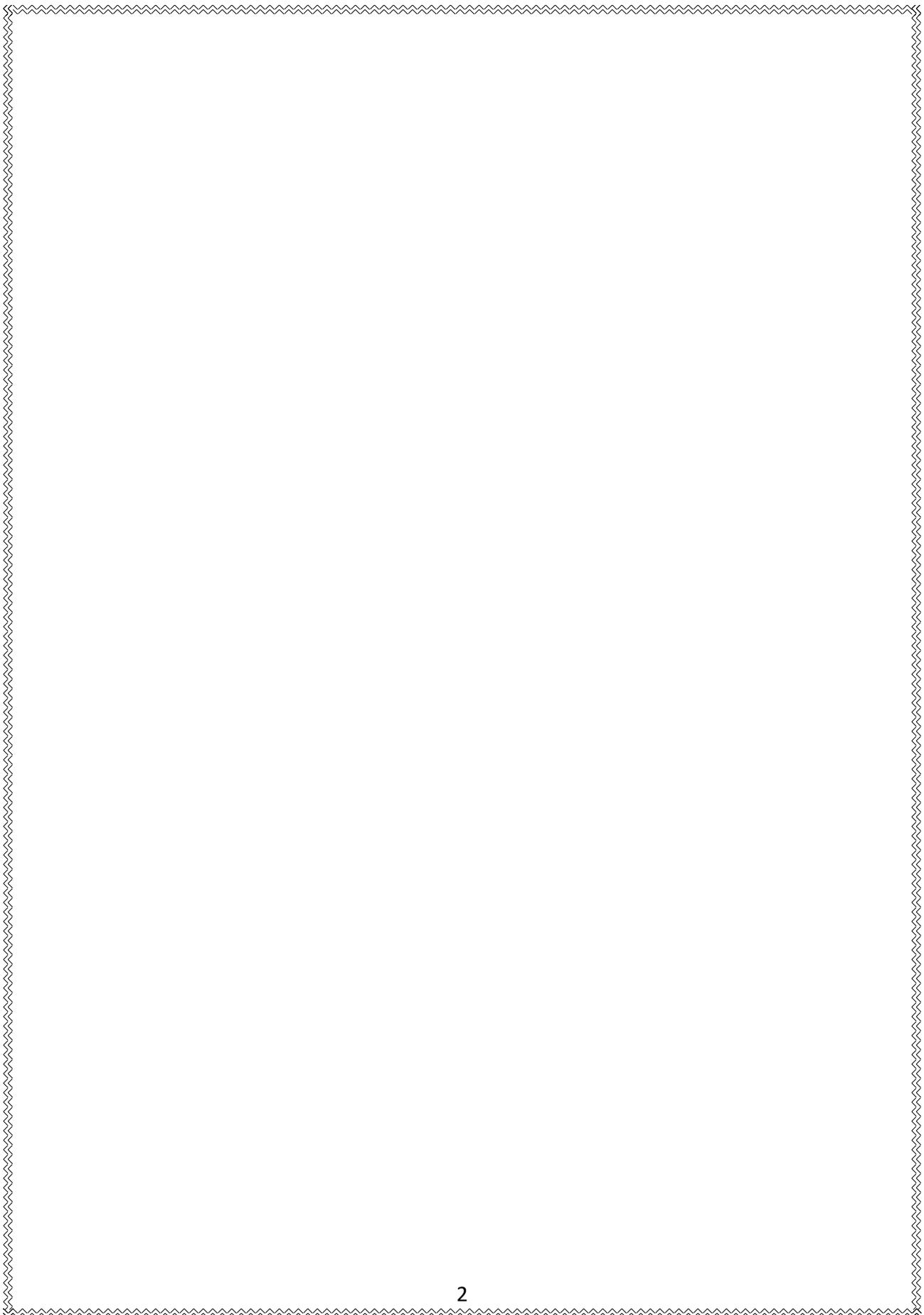


# WHEN WE THINK TOGETHER

Our Collected Poems, Home Scholars of Boston, Fall 2017

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**Soccer**

Soccer

fun, tiring

Kicking, running, dribbling

I like to play striker

Sport



# AUTUMN

Awesome leaf piles  
Undulating leaves  
The nights get longer  
Upcoming holidays  
Many leaves to catch  
Now it is cold



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## Never

I would never eat a slimy soggy soapy salamander

I would never wear soaking stork-made shirts

I would never buy a somber soda

I would never surf a tsunami

I would never sail to South Korea safely

I would sometimes think about soapy saws

And I promise I will never sing sorrowful songs

## Dragon

I am a dragon.

I am a dragon, fierce and fiery.

Flying over fields and forest, I make my home  
home

in big craggy caves on mountain sides.

I am a blue dragon. I breathe lightning.

I flap my huge wings.

I am a dragon.



## On Thy Hallows' Eve



As thy walks down thy darkening street,  
on thy hallows' eve  
One will see dragons and knights parading down thy street.  
As the night gets longer thy might see ghosts and ghouls walking  
up doorsteps  
on thy hallows' eve  
Frightening and fascinating creatures of all shapes and sizes  
on thy hallows' eve  
On Thy Hallows' Eve!

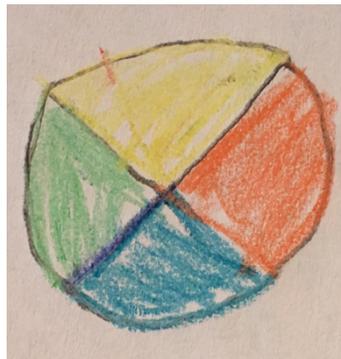
Seasons, A Circle Poem  
By Carlo Grabiell Butler

It is summer now.  
I see the open leaves and clear skies.  
It is summer now.  
I hear the birds chirping and kids laughing.  
It is summer.  
I smell the hamburgers on the barbeque that will taste so delicious.  
It is summer.  
I feel the warm breeze and hot sun.  
It is summer, but it is getting colder.

It is spring now.  
I see the snow melting away from the  
ground and the trees.  
It is spring now.  
I hear the chirp of newly arrived birds.  
It is spring.  
I smell the newly opened flowers.  
It is spring.  
I taste the chocolaty Easter eggs and  
first leaves from the garden.  
I feel the warm air and cool breeze.  
It is spring but it is getting hotter.

It is autumn.  
I see colorful leaves in the air,  
on the ground, and in the trees.  
It is autumn.  
I hear birds singing their last songs  
before they fly away for the winter.  
It is autumn.  
I smell the warm apple pies and  
turkey dinners that will taste so good.  
It is autumn.  
I feel chilly breezes and warm hats.  
It is autumn, but it is getting colder.

It is winter now.  
I see the snow falling on the trees, the ground, the roofs.  
It is winter now.  
I hear the echoes of laughing children.  
It is winter now.  
I smell the clean, crisp air.  
I taste the warm hot chocolate and sugary candy canes.  
It is winter now.  
I feel my warm coat and mittens.  
It is winter, but it is getting warmer.



Exhilaration

Is a mountain lion

Jumping on its unsuspecting prey,

On its mountain home,

Confronting anything that opposes its power.

Anger

Is a rageful elephant

Charging and stomping forward

In the dry savanna

Defending its young.

## **Flying**

I am flying,  
flying under and over clouds and countrysides.

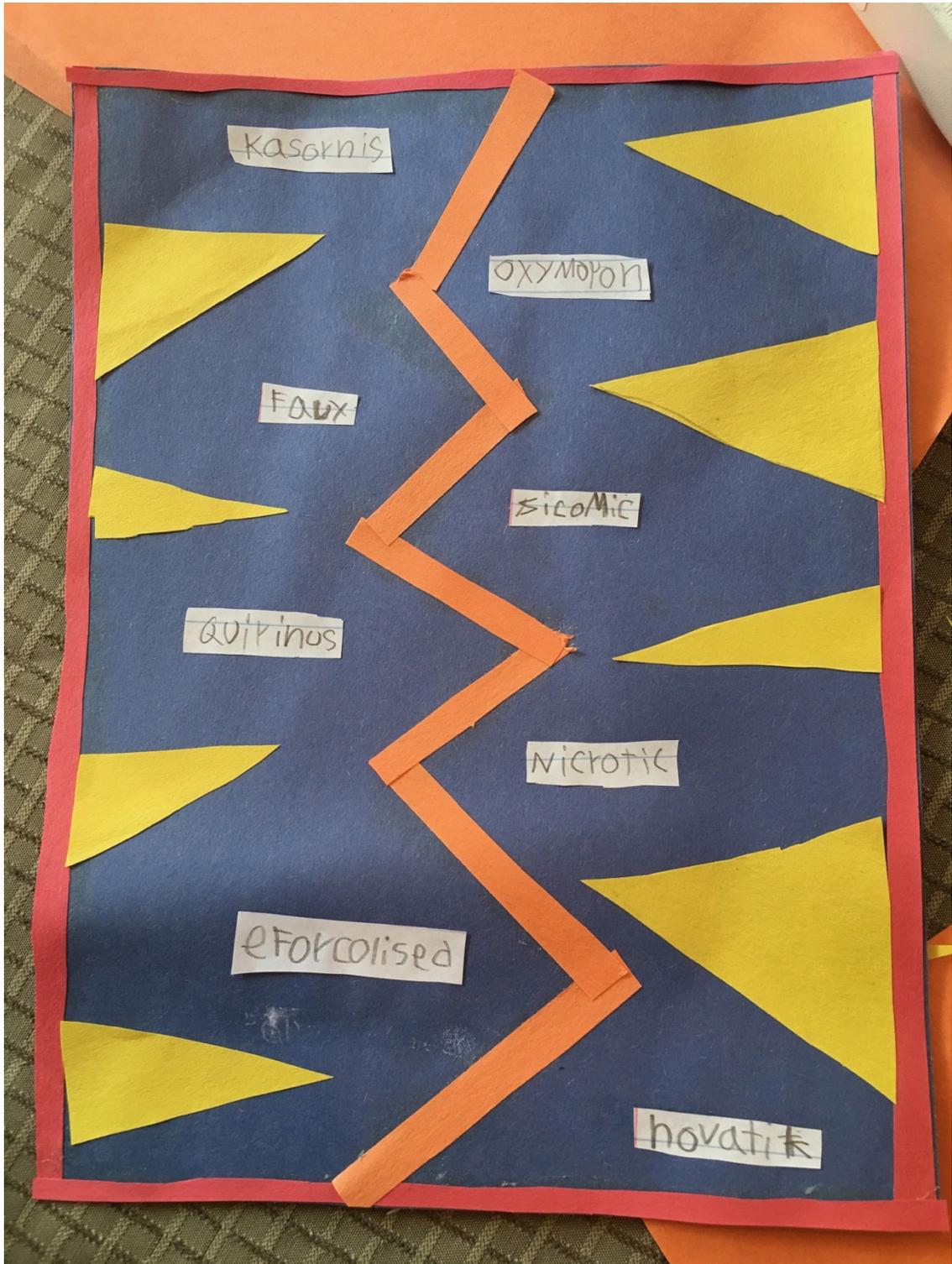
I am flying,  
flying over fields and farms.

I am flying,  
I rise higher and I feel the wind in my face and the fluff of clouds.

I am flying,  
flying over rivers and rivers.

I am flying,  
flying over caves and canyons.

I am flying,  
Oops! Back to reality.  
What a boring math test.



Poems by Carolina Doherty-Lopez

**NEVER POEM**



I would never eat coconut curry coated cats  
I would never wear a coat with cats and canned cookies  
I would never buy crooked cantaloupes  
I would never read about catching cats  
I would never go to California to get a cracker  
I would always like to think about crunchy corn on the cob  
And I promise to never let the coconut curry coated cats on the couch.

**BIRTHDAY**

Birthday Cake  
Birthday Party  
Birthday Girl  
Birthday Presents  
Birthday Fun

**DayDream**

DayDream  
Wonderful things  
Dragons flowers animals and so  
much more  
A magical place where your  
mind Ponders  
An amazing thing to do is  
Daydream

## **Sadness**

Sadness is a slow slug  
Slimy and slow  
In a dark corner  
Feeling slimy and gross

## **Halloween**

Half bare trees  
A ton of leaves on the ground  
Lack of warmth  
Lots of decorations  
Of spooky things  
Well after all it's almost Halloween  
Eat lots of candy eek and scream  
Now have a happy Halloween



## **Fall time**

Yellow and red leaves scattered around on trees  
Sticks and leaves on the ground  
A small wooden lighthouse on the table  
Fairy lights and a used candle  
Birds going south and people talking  
Pine cone and Burnt wood scent fills the air  
Cold Stone on my hand  
But my sweater keeps me warm

## **Happiness**

Happiness

Is a hopping bunny

Jumping and scurrying across the field

Into a sun filled bush to take a nap

## **Winter Time**

Soft snowflakes on my hand

Snowball fights and snowmen

Inside there is a soft blanket hot cocoa

And a warm fire with a Christmas tree to admire



## **Snow**

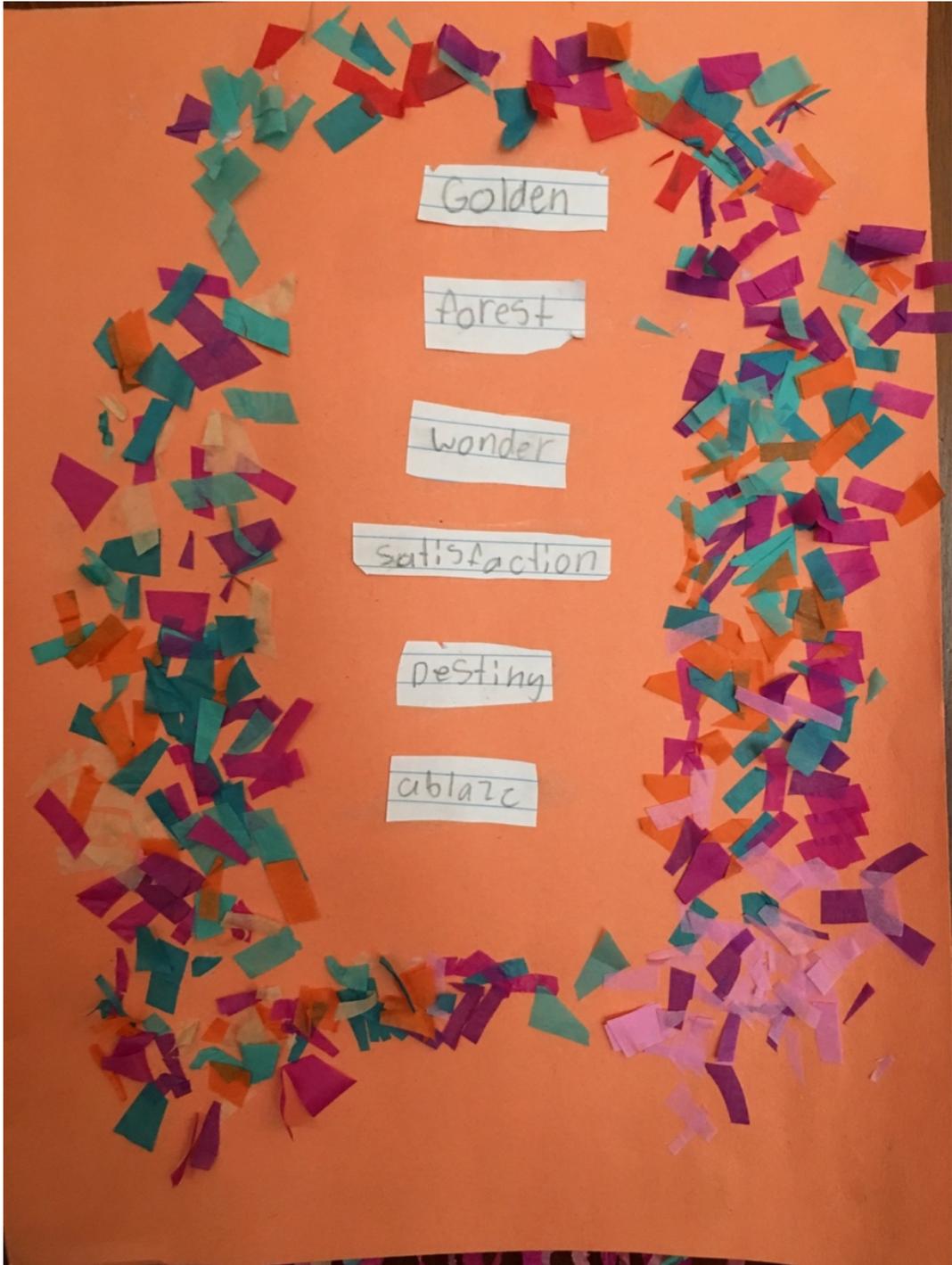
Soft snowflakes on my hand  
Snowballs hit my arm  
I make make a snowman  
Then my day of fun is done  
But I know I'll have one again tomorrow



## **Thanksgiving**

Friends and family  
Oh so much food  
Oh so much fun  
Giving and getting thanks is what it's all about





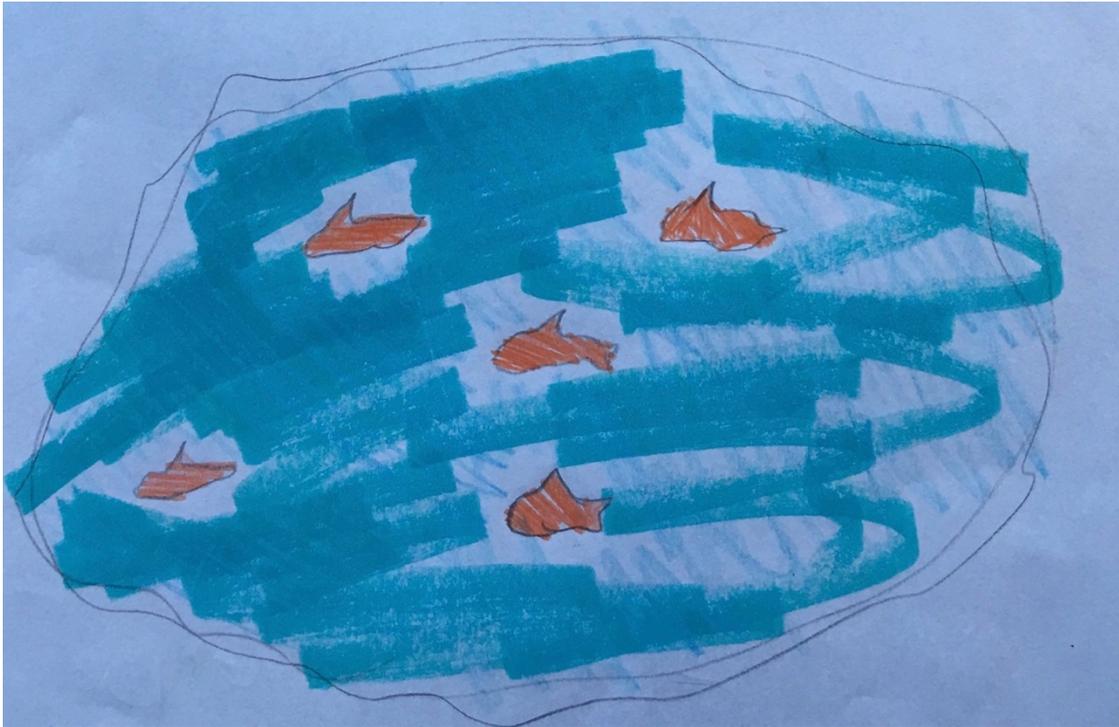
## WOLF PRINCESS

Silver and white, shimmering bright,  
as the moon rises, becomes creature,  
running wild and free, howling at the moon, freely and true,  
swiftly running through the forest, ever so majestic,  
wolf princess.



## THE SECRET GARDEN

With moss so green, sun a sheen, stream so clean,  
Flowers all around, goldfish swimming, down the stream,  
In the secret garden.



## CHOCOLATE LAB

Curious

Happy

Outgoing

Cuddly

Observant

Lovable

Always hungry

Tough

Eats everything

Loyal

Amazing

Beautiful



## **POISON IVY**

Leaves of three, let it be, so what?

Should I listen? Or not? No, right? I guess, maybe.

Oh no, I've got poison ivy.

## **GREEN AND HAIRY**

Everybody thinks I'm scary  
Because I'm green and hairy.

But I'm really not so scary  
I'm as friendly as a fairy.

I am a goblin.

People dress up as me.

It's like they're making fun of me.

I know I'm green and hairy  
But I'm more mellow than a beary.

But me? I'm really not so scary  
I'm only green and hairy!



## **THROUGH THE BIG GLASS WINDOW**

Through that big glass window,  
Well, I wish it could be me.  
I bark and whimper  
Wish and whine.  
Because the fun is always there  
Through that big glass window.

## **THIS IS FALL**

We took a walk down our street  
We heard leaves crunch beneath our feet.  
I found a leaf so red and gold  
Oh what a treasure it was to hold.  
The air smelled crisp, as crisp can be  
I watched a squirrel run up a tree.  
He scurried off to his home in his tree  
And cozy at home is where I wanted to be.  
The smell of hot cider greeted me at the door  
Mug in my hand I was cold no more.

## **CITY DOG**

Scared  
Is a stray dog  
Slinking away, tail between legs  
Through the streets filled with cars  
Alone, with nobody to comfort him.

## **BAILEY**

Dog

Intelligent, friendly

Playing, petting, eating

Friendly creature who licks

Chocolate Lab.

## **DAYDREAMING**

If I had wings, I would fly.

If I were vines, I would swing.

If I were math, I would be boring.

And if I saw a ghost, I would scream.

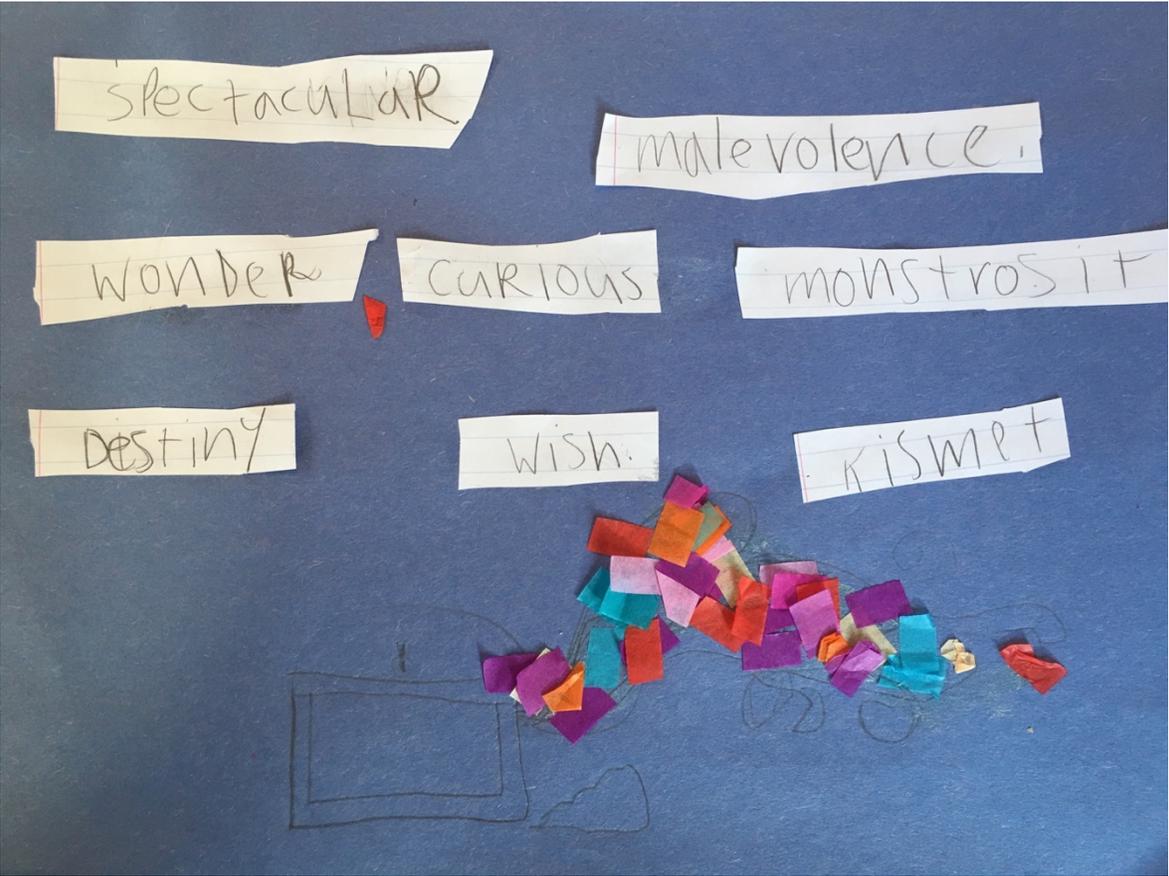
All these things are daydreams, right?

But they seem so real to me.

Daydreams are so fun

Teacher please forgive me!





**Daydreams**

Daydreams, daydreams, oh so fun, daydreams, daydreams, for  
everyone!

Daydreams, daydreams, here you go

Daydreams, daydreams, oh oh oh!

**Mashed Potatoes**

Mmm!  
Ahh, tasty,  
So good,  
Ho boy, delicious!  
Ed, these are amazing!  
Dang, this is scrumptious!

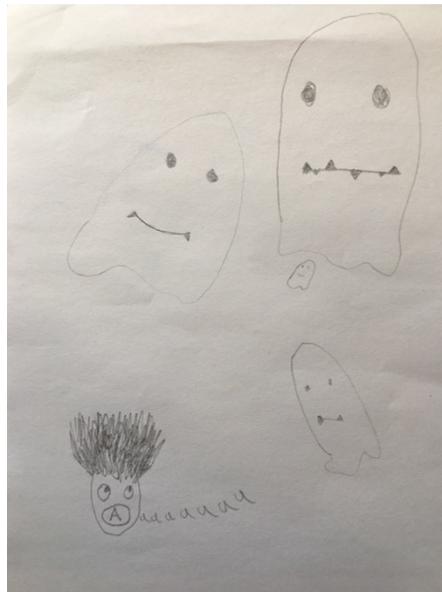
Please, give me more!  
Oh lip smacking,  
Too awesome,  
Awe man pretty good,  
The gods made these,  
Oh toothsome  
Eh, they're fine,  
Super!

**winter!**

it's beautiful!  
never have I seen anything like it!  
this is awesome!  
eh, it's fine.  
radical!

**ghosts**

the ghosties are coming oh what a fright!  
they're coming here, this Halloween night!  
but don't run away they're not coming yet,  
they're coming here at midnight, I bet!

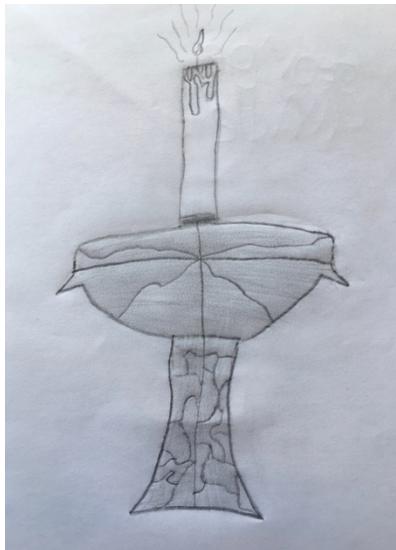


## **Poppie**

Pet  
Energetic happy,  
Loving, running, jumping,  
Loves to bark  
Dog

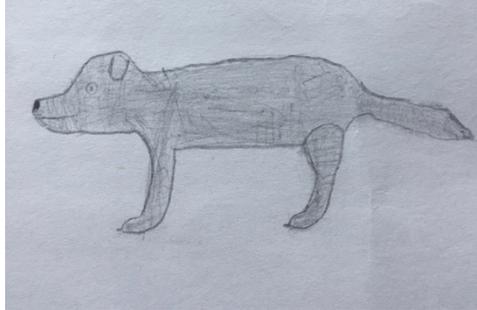
## **Candle**

I see a candle,  
I Feel the cold,  
I hear birds chirping,  
I taste apple pie,  
I smell dry leaves.



## Dog

I'm walking my dog through the mist and the fog  
she sniffs a log and chases a hog  
right into a bog, and drinks from a toilet with a bit of a clog



### Happiness

Is a jumping rabbit,  
going gracefully

On the green grassy earth,  
Happy for it's food.

### George

Ingenious, wacky, fun, energetic  
Middle son of Catherine and Paul  
loves ice cream, Star Wars, water  
feels happy most of the time  
Afraid of the end of the world  
a calm misty waterfall

### Stamatos

### Basil

Energetic, nasty, crazy, dumb  
last son of Catherine and Paul  
Loves sticks, candy, swimming  
feels imaginative  
Afraid of going into a cave that has fake blood  
likes to see giant alive Cheerios

### Stamatos



## Poems by Jimmy Walsh

### **Jimmy**

Silly, Crazy, Creative

First child of David and Sara

Likes Comics, Orange Soda, and Kittens

Feels Happy half of the Time

Afraid of Heights

Would like to see Time Travel

### **Walsh**

#### **I AM JIMMY**

I am different and crazy

I wonder when there will be time travel

I hear my kitten Smore purring

I see Smore playing

I want to be a kitten

I am different and crazy

I pretend to be a kitten

I feel kitten-like

I touch Smore's nose

I worry about Tommy hurting Smore

I cry when I think about GG

I am different and crazy

I understand time travel

I say parallel universes exist

I dream about being a time lord

I try to help Smore a lot

I hope to time travel

I am different and crazy

## FEASTING

I'm waiting for them to come

They came, they came, they came.

I run out to them, "Hi Sam, Hi Ben, Hi Jack."

Zoozoo and Poo are there and so are Aunty Bekki and Uncle Mike.

I offer to carry in the sheets Zoozoo is holding.

When we are in I put the sheets down on the stairs.

Me, Sam, Ben, Jack, and Mary run upstairs to my room.

We climb up my loft bed and do some somestuff

After a while it's dinner time

I eat a lot

After dinner, we play more.

But then it's time for them to go.

"Bye Sam" Ugh

"Bye Jack" Mmm

"Bye Ben" Come on.

Then we go to bed.



## **THE DAY-DREAM**

One day, during work,  
I wasn't on earth  
I was flying the T.A.R.D.I.S.  
With the Doctor's help  
I decided to stop my lessons early today  
I went to the bedroom and there I found  
My kitten Smore  
She snuggled with me on my bed  
Which, for some reason, was there  
I read her a book on my kindle, then I was back at school  
And my daydream was done.

## **SMORE**

Smore  
Playful, cute  
Loving, Playing, Snuggling  
She is my cute kitten  
The cutest kitten ever



## I AM SMORE

Puuruup

Hey, I'm Smore

Well, i think i am Smore, cause that's what snuggle guy calls me

Let's play, please play with me

No, let's hunt, please

No, let's eat, please.

No? I'm hungry AHHH!

Its Big Scary Guy! Aaaahhhhhh!

And Small Scary Guy! Aaaahhhhhh! Aaaahhhhhh!

Yay, Its Mama Cat, I'm not scary.

No, I'm not. No, I'm not.

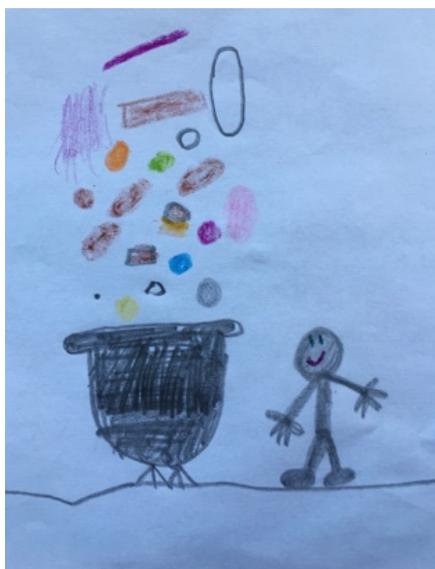
Can I have some little brown hard fish?

I want you to play with me all night and snuggle all day

With breaks for food.

Meow!





## **SONG OF THE TRICK OR TREATERS**

Toe of Peep, tip of Candy corn,  
Mint of Peppermint Pattie,  
Slab of chocolate, Bit of Twix.  
To make a brew of endless fun,  
Three musketeers go into the batch,  
A couple of M&Ms, some cotton candy goes in there too.  
Plop, an altoid and some other treats.  
Yum yum, we say  
today on Halloween  
We wear our costumes,  
We sing our song,  
Trick R Treat!

## **FIRE**

Warmth

Hot, bright

Marshmallow Roasting, warming, smoking

An orange flame making heat

Fire



## **FALL**

I love Fall so much

Red and yellow leaves fall down

Fall fills me with joy

## **RAGE**

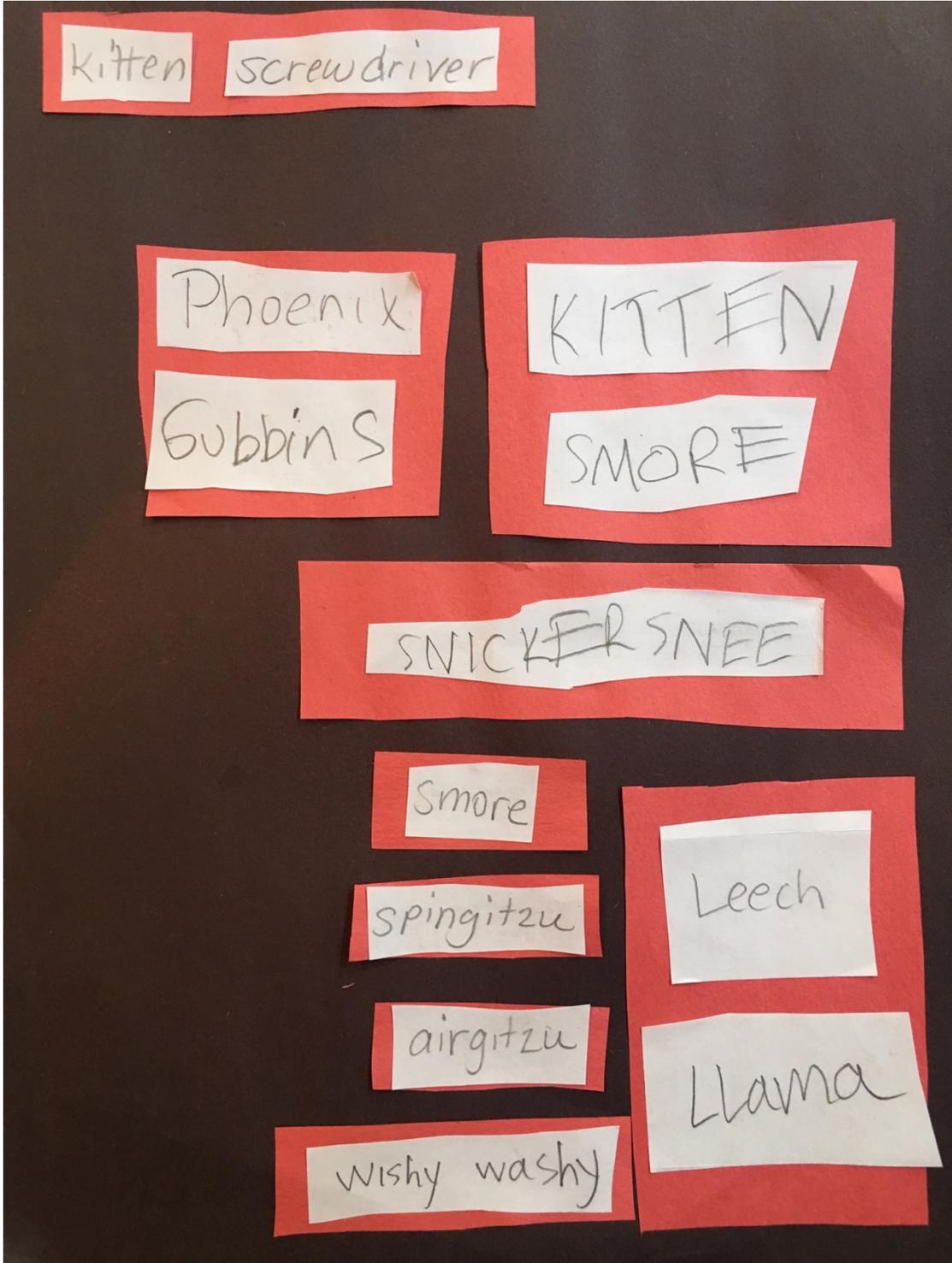
Rage

Is a Hateful Ram

Charging horns first to the fence

At the petting zoo

Trying to get at the zookeeper



**On Christmas morning**

On Christmas morning snowflakes fall,  
On Christmas morning young souls awake early,  
On Christmas morning angels sing,  
On Christmas morning family gather,  
On Christmas morning we eat good food,  
On Christmas morning we look at the beautiful tree,  
On Christmas morning we give joy!



## Sky

Lie down on the grass  
Lie down on the dew  
Look up at the sky  
Where it is so blue  
Is he really so sad?  
Why is he blue?  
Maybe the birds know  
They're up there too  
What are the clouds?  
Does he make it snow and rain?  
I hope you'll answer  
These questions are spinning in my head



## **Thanksgiving Day**

Yep, done, already did.  
When will they get here?  
Bored, bored, bored, bored.  
They're here!  
What should we play?  
Okay. Yeah,  
Almost time, almost time, almost time  
Dinner time!  
Gravy, yuck!  
Casserole, Bleh!  
Onions, eww!  
Turkey, vomit!  
Okaaay. Desert!! Yum! Yum! Yum!  
Yum, yum, yum, yum!  
Bye bye! See you next year!

## **I am**

I am strange

I am special

I am sing

I am others

I am good

I am diamond

I am forest

I am discovered

I am differently

You are...

You are strange

You are special

You are sing

You are others

You are good

You are diamond

You are forest

You are discovered

You are differently.



## Moona Kitten

I love you Moona kitten

You are pretty, beautiful, and wonderful

I love you. You make me happy, even though you steal my milk.

I give you the gift of kitty treats, you eat my flies.

But, you still tell lies

To be continued...



## S never poem

I will never eat a smelly, slimy, sea slug sandwich  
I will never wear a soggy silver sweatshirt  
I will never buy slate scat at sunrise  
I will never sit on a slug mountain  
I will never go to South Dakota on a Saturday  
I will always think about a slithering Ssssssing snake  
And I promise I will never slink a stretched slug.



## Me

I am a candycorn, cute and small,  
I am only one inch tall!  
I am very nice to eat  
Because I am very sweet!  
They take me places house to house,  
When they say trick or treat!



### **Daydream**

I once drew a line.

A crazy scribbly line.

I once saw a horse inside a scribbly line crazy line

Galloping off the paper.

### **Moona**

Moona is cute

Moona is small

Moona is mine

No seriously, she's mine!

DO-NOT-TOUCH-MY-MOONA

Humph.

### **Mary**

### **Mary**

Creative, lovely, friendly, loving

Second born, daughter of Sara and David

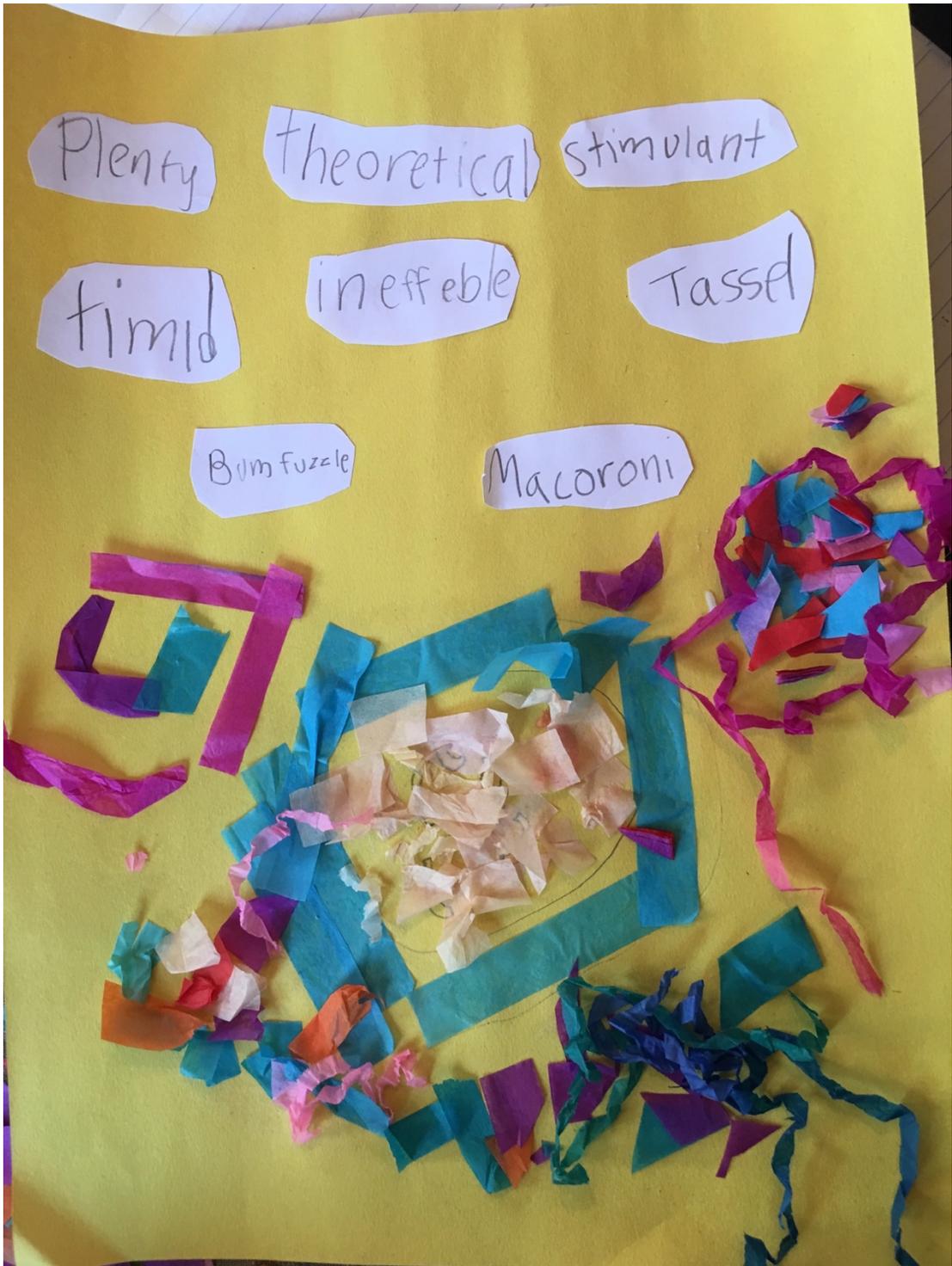
Loves pigs, Moona kitten, and drawing people

Is mood changing

Is afraid of the dark

Would like to see the real Doctor in the Tardis

### **Walsh**



### **Majestic, Beautiful**

Majestic, beautiful is the raven flying above the clouds  
Majestic, beautiful is the girl walking through the grass  
Majestic, beautiful is the duck quacking in the pond  
Majestic, beautiful is the waterfall crashing down the hill



## My Pets

Great

Racing

Eats treats

Terrific

Exceptionally Awesome

Loves kids

Small

Animal

Makes

Mess

Yuck!



## **Me**

Neela Kay

funny, sneaky, unique, observant  
first, last, and only daughter of Jonathan and Dana,  
likes LEGOs, the ocean, and all animals  
feels like I could use some Ovaltine,  
afraid of my dog dying  
would like to see Paris...

Willeke

## **Halloween**

Halloween,  
the golden brown leaves falling down  
the candy everywhere in piles  
the empty bowls on house steps  
the lovely smell of bubble gum  
the black street cats all scattered  
the spider webs all over the town  
Halloween has come

## **The Candle**

The light flickers over faces  
The warmth tingles your fingers  
The happiness it gives off spreads  
This is the candle on the kitchen table.

## **Gretel Gretski**



Run! Run! Run!  
Almost!  
Almost is the squirrel I didn't find.  
Leap! Leap! Leap!  
Almost!  
Almost is the fly I didn't catch.  
Chew! Chew! Chew!  
Almost!  
Almost is the food I didn't finish  
Sleep! Sleep! What?!  
Almost is the train I didn't get.  
Sprint! Sprint! Sprint!  
Yes! Yes! Yes!  
Yes is the girl I found!



### **Song of the Gretel**

Gretel is clever  
Gretel is good  
We love Gretel, as we should  
(pause)  
Gretel was a street dog  
Gretel was a stray  
Until the day, Gretel ran away

### **Nome**

Nome.  
Cute Nome  
Cunning Nome  
Cuddly Nome  
Fast Nome  
Quick Nome  
Sneaky Nome  
Nome.  
Nome's loving  
Nome's cuteness  
Nome's softness  
Nome's fur  
Nome's goodness  
Nome.  
Nome is nice  
Nome is kind  
Nome is great  
Nome is awesome  
Nome is gentle  
Nome.  
Nome dreams of me  
Nome dreams of happiness  
Nome dreams of greatness  
Nome dreams of dogs  
Nome.  
Nome longs for me  
Nome longs for cats  
Nome longs for trees  
Nome sneaky Nome  
Nome.

## **Sick**

snot pouring out nose  
hacking cough makes me tired  
sick means more movies

## **Gross**

bone breath really stinks  
Gretel is the grossest dog  
guess better than poop!



