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Group I:

Classes

B & D

The Cycle

Fear of curiosity is to be inhumane;
embracing it is to be human

To be human is to be a man and to be a
man is to have fear of the strong

To fear is to grow and learn, to learn is to
strengthen

Man fears the strong

The strong fear being put to sleep by the
weak

Alesio

Till Collapse

Until daylight dies and appears to be
dawn I am waiting

Waiting until time stops and this
universe implodes, until the sky falls

Waiting until our world collapses and
shatters like glass, so fragile

Our reality, so fake that we are tricked
and think it's real

We are here, waiting

Alesio

FEAR

Fears, like growing up. Being terrified of all the responsibilities to come in the road ahead. Fears like losing a loved one is simply fear of sadness, as you lose someone you love you become sad as you lose someone you care for. Some are scared of love as love is dangerous. With love comes heartbreak and heartbreak is one of the worst pains you can experience, no one wants to feel heartbroken. Some are afraid of fear itself because to some fear holds you back from living life to the fullest like most want. Fear is very common and natural; you just cannot let it control you or your actions. Fear only controls you if you let it, do not let fear win control over your body.

Alicia Falci

HOPE

Hope falling down
Faster than the speed of sound.
All the love is drowning out
As if you can't see it now.
Love is so rare these days
All the feelings have gone away.
She feels so hopeless,
It will get better but she doesn't know
this.
She feels as if her world is crashing
down
And she can no longer see the purpose
now.
But things will get better, you must have
HOPE.

Alicia Falci

Billy's Poem #1

I'm cool on the block,
my friend's rock designer
with those grillz on their teeth,
I'm chill with the crooks
but I don't want to get booked.
My friends are funny and fast
and they're chill with a lot of people.

Billy Mavrommatis

Billy's Poem #2

The market has a lot of money and power. When you're hungry you need to search for what you want in the market, people are always so dramatic and lazy to put in work, people always are bored to put in time for what they want so they just pretend that they already have it.

Billy Mavrommatis

Billy's Poems #3

**It won't always be like this,
So don't get your hopes up,
People change in time,
Things happen that you can't change,
There is always an ending.**

Billy Mavrommatis

Moe's Poems

He was running low on time because he was lazy.

My teacher used a marker on a chalk board.

I was in the search for food because I was hungry.

Being dramatic is sometimes bad and great at the same time.

The designer was booked on appointments.

My BBQ grill can cook quiet well and quickly.

Moe's Poems

Watch her.

She is calm.

She is relaxed.

She is in danger.

She shows no fear.

She is strong.

She's in a better place.

Moe's Poems

When I was born I was quiet

When I was in daycare I was very bored

When I was in elementary I loved hockey

When I was in high school I graduated

When I was an adult I got married

At this moment I'm happy with where I am

Moe's Poems

I am happiest when I'm holding a hockey stick.

I feel excited and yet calm at the same time.

I wish I was better at the way I played.

Without it I would be weaker and angrier.

Sometimes I fall but get right back up.

I regret never trying harder then I already did.

Life is like hockey there will be challenges some harder than others.

We all fall at some point but we will always get back up.

And we are not alone, with team mates a.k.a. family.

When the final buzzer goes off you'll be glad you caught a break.

Life

Water is as important as air, without it we can't survive.

Survival is the only reason we're still here.

Humans took over the world than previously belonged to animals.

Instead of taking over the world, why don't we share.

Nicholas

Group II:

Classes

A & C

Life

I love sleeping & having a good nice dream

I love my bed because it's super soft and comfortable to rest on when I'm tired.

Big Man is a nickname that I heard and thought was pretty hilarious.

Dinner is my favorite meal of the day.

Naya, I love to drink this company's waters.

I like chocolate chip cookies they taste delicious

I love October

Adam

I see through this fairy-tale
looking glass named
fatherhood

My dad's past and the time we
spent

I'll never forget it.

It reminds me of the time we
would play in the park and the
time we would go out
together.

Rest

In

Peace

Adam

I am

I am responsible for my actions; I take part in what I do.

Life can be a jungle from time to time.

I have empathy for those who struggle.

OhMyGod

I like to sing when I play Guitar.

I like to think about things when I'm bored.

Humans poop every day.

I go to an EMSB school.

I would like to go to space.

Love is strong.

Hello I'm Adam

Adam

**We cannot catch her.
She is so fast.
She's running for the bus but I
saw her drop her wallet!**

Adam

**You have enemies and friends,
Enemies will always try to hurt you,
But friends always have your back no
matter the situation
Friends will also support, help, and
encourage you,
In any decision you make,
That's a true friend.**

**You never know with life, maybe an
enemy could become a best friend.
Watch and observe who your friends
are,**

**Not all of them are true ones.
True friends will always be there for
The worst or the bad.**

Pick wisely who u choose as friends.

I like Perspectives high school
I like eating eggs.
I love playing hockey
I like eating pasta
Montreal is very cold
I like wearing polo
I listening to music everyday
I play soccer with my friends
I look at the clock and time goes faster
I play with my hair everyday
The tree grew
My brain is working well
I look for words in the dictionary
I write on the desk
The cat is crying
I fell on my arm

Gianni Gucciardo

I need my space
I love eating food
I stay with my friend's everyday
I love my family
We need peace
I listen to Lil' Pump
I'm in the Christmas spirit

Gianni Gucciardo

Dear family and friends

I'm going away. Because I did something to my family and they are really mad at me and I need to go away for a little bit until they forgive me for what I did. So no one try to find me. I'm long gone, I'll be back soon. I took money from my family and it was way too much.

Gianni Gucciardo

1: She will grow up and she will fly to the sky so high. Sit on a cloud and she will fly with the birds.

2: There are wings here around us every day that we live there wings.

3: Beauty here there is beauty everywhere most people have beauty.

Gianni Gucciardo

I'm here at Perspective high school
I hope I do well in this new school
If I don't I will go to hell
BTW, that's a lie
I love it that I have a lot of shoes.
Flowers are really beautiful
Next to the store H&M
People die every day
Don't trust other people with your stuff
like money

Gianni Gucciardo

Life can be good and bad sometimes.
But you only got one life so live it to the
fullest.

Kaitlyn

How to defeat fear

Heights: a way to overcome this fear is to try and not think about how high you are but at the same time try to enjoy the experience. Pretend you are a bird gracefully flying in the great blue sky without any worries or fear of falling down encourage yourself to be that great and brave bald eagle. Freedom is what the bald eagle represents, be that free eagle.

Kaitlyn

Cats are graceful creatures. They are also independent like us some times, but when it comes to love and attention they seek that too just like us.

Kaitlyn

Being there for someone

I know she is struggling through time so what I can do is be there for her through her tough times. I can help support her when she needs it and help guide her to the right way of life by helping her when it comes to making certain choices. If she ever needs a shoulder to cry on I would be there for her because in life we all struggle whether you are rich, middle class or poor we all have struggles in life which eventually make us stronger.

Kaitlyn

I love to sleep when focusing is too hard.
Like diamonds are sturdy so help me please.
For what is responsibility.
My organs are life, like fire is for Hell.
Don't cut your hair, don't stop planting.
So please just laugh at me.

Shalom

Kodak black raps about his past
Family should always be your first priority
You should always focus on your happiness
Trust is something earned not given too
You give respect to receive respect
Your struggles will only make you stronger
You should be persistent to better yourself
Your struggles is given to you by faith
Be loyal to your word
In life you should be calm like water
Appreciate everything you have be grateful
Look at the blue sky it's a good day
It's good to isolate yourself and be cold

Tung