



2025 Contest Entries

Silas B., 13, Ohio – **Honorable Mention**

Rocky Mountains

The jagged rocks of
The large, snowy mountain tops
Journey into peaks

Raptor

Wings and claws snatching
Squirrels shiver under trees
Hawks gaze at dinner

Joel C., 12, Ontario – **2nd PLACE**

The cool water stream
In the dreamy night of me
Fishing with a team

Esther P., 12, Minnesota – 3rd PLACE

Little bird, born new
Spread your wings and fly away
To the golden sun.

A rose, now blooming
Lifts up its face to the sun
Embracing new life.

Clara S., 13, Alberta

Warm rays peek round and
Flood the sleeping land with light,
Yawning, comes alive.

Wilted gold leans limp,
Nipped by early autumn frost
And flaccid, inert

Everleigh M., 12, Michigan – 1st PLACE

Leaf
So silent, so swift
Holds a secret to be told
About what comes next

Stacks of books
Stacks of leath'ry spines
Sit quiet in dark corners
Waiting to be read

Elijah G., 13, Iowa

Fog moves in and rain
Pours down. The wind blows and howls.
Wet leaves dance with grace.

Hannah G., 12, Iowa

Spring
The rain drops fall down
The flowers bloom once more
We welcome Spring again.

My aunt Mabel
My aunt Mabel
Have you ever met my aunt Mabel?
I don't like her

Annabel F., 12, Waikato

The birds rise and sing
As flowers are opening
Dew drops glistening

The dark moon is still
The stars splendidly shimmer
The night is a thrill

Sebastian Z., 13, Ohio

Animals running,
Trees and grass burning, and
Every breath is smoke.

One warm happy day,
Everyone happy and kind,
Until the ground shakes.

Neil M., 12, Ontario

A Dream Of Peace
As the moon flies high
I enter the world of dreams
And sleep peacefully