

# Dreams

## A Poetry Anthology



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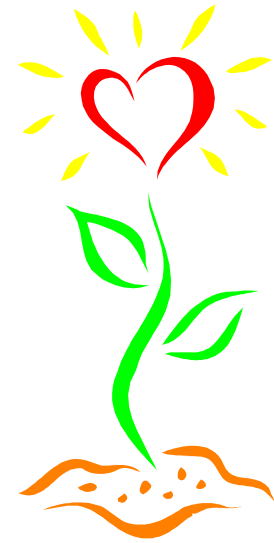
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# Dreams

by Langston Hughes

Hold fast to dreams  
For if dreams die  
Life is a broken-winged bird  
That cannot fly.  
Hold fast to dreams  
For when dreams go  
Life is a barren field  
Frozen with snow.



# Dream Deferred

by Langston Hughes

What happens to a dream deferred?  
Does it dry up  
Like a raisin in the sun?  
Or fester like a sore -  
And then run?

## Metaphors-

Poems often contain metaphors. A metaphor compares two things that are mostly different, but similar in one important way. Metaphors do not use the word “like” or “as”.

In these poems, the author compares life without dreams to a broken winged bird, a barren field, a dried up raisin, and a festering sore.

# DREAMS

By Paul D.

Some people say that a dream  
is just something that one wakes up from.  
I disagree.

A dream is something that we all hold  
close to our hearts.

Something that is ours,  
No-one can take it from ours,  
No-one can take it from us.

One day we wake to find that the dream  
has turned to hope.

A hope that someday our dream  
will become reality.

Soon the hope becomes a wish.

And we all know that wishes come true.

So be not afraid to dream,  
my friend,

Take your wish to the brightest star  
in the sky.

All your dreams will come true.



## **Any Poem-**

Even though this poem doesn't fit any of the categories, I wanted to include it because it really makes you think about what dreams are. They are more than just the images we see when we're asleep. More than just the ideas we have when our minds wander. They are something we all should hold dear and work toward.

# My Bed is Like a Sailing Ship

Lansky by Bruce

My bed is like a sailing ship-  
when I'm tucked in, I take a trip.  
I leave behind my busy day  
and sail to places far away.  
I sail past beaches, gleaming white,  
with palm trees swaying in the night.  
I watch the waves break on the shore,  
and then I see my bedroom floor!  
I blink my eyes, I scratch my head-  
my ship is home, I'm back in bed.  
My ship goes sailing every night  
and sails home in the morning light.



## Rhyme Pattern-

A rhyme pattern adds to the sound of a poem. This poem contains pairs of lines that rhyme.

## Dreams

I was thinking of us last night  
And the times we shared  
How good we were  
But now we are apart  
Yet we still have our  
Dreams  
For in our dreams we are together  
Holding hands on the beach  
Talking all night under the silver moon  
Holding each other tight  
Dreams



## Repetition-

Repetition is repeating a sound, word, or phrase. It is usually done to draw attention to something. In this poem, the author repeats the word "dreams". This makes the reader really reflect on it and to show its importance.

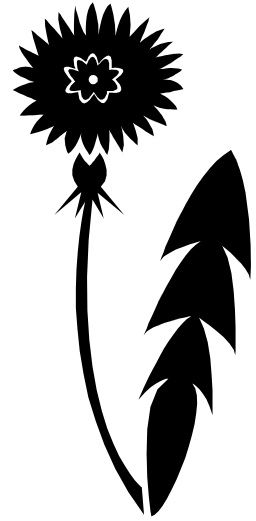
# Night Garden

Poems from the World of Dreams  
By Janet Wong

. . . dreams grow wild  
like dandelion weeds,  
feathery heads alive with seeds -

and these fine seeds,  
about to sprout,  
race the day  
to find their place  
in a welcome mind . . .

from [Night Garden](#) by Janet Wong



## Similes-

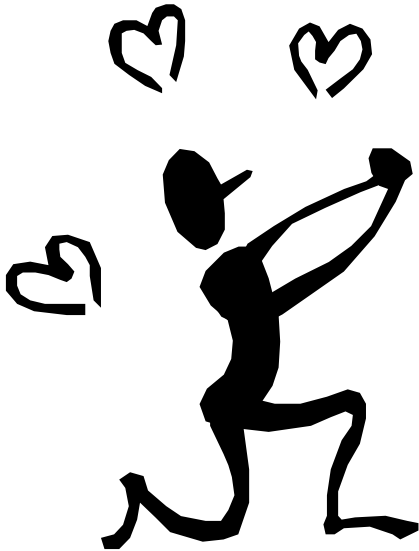
A simile compares two things using the words “like” or “as”.  
In this poem, dreams are being compared to dandelions.

## Personification-

Personification is when an animal, object, or thing is treated like a person.  
In this poem, dandelions and dreams are said to grow and race. We usually only think people can race.

For every dream is like a wish  
That wish you dreamed about  
coming true  
And some day this dream  
Might just become reality  
- Meredith Ritz

# I Wonder



I wonder if dreams come true.  
I suppose they do.  
They keep hope alive in our  
souls.  
People keep working to achieve  
them.  
Some dreams have to come true.  
We must believe.

## Rhetorical Question

This kind of poem starts with a rhetorical question. A rhetorical question is one that you ask but do not expect an answer from your listener. Instead, you expect the listener to reflect or you provide the answer yourself.

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## Concrete Poetry

Concrete Poetry is the use of words and their physical formation to convey meaning. This may be done with color, the shape of the letters, and/or the arrangement of words

# Dreams Become Real

Wandering alone in the night.  
Lost. Waiting.  
Searching for purpose.  
Struggling. Hoping.  
Making a plan.  
Aware. Growing.  
Moving steadily toward promise.  
Strong. Determined.  
Dreams realized.  
Proud.



## Free Verse

Free Verse Poetry has no set rhyme or rhythm pattern to follow. There is no assigned form. Instead, the poet uses powerful words to create images in the reader's mind.

## DREAMS

Wishes, Desires, Aspirations, Hopes, Goals.  
With faith and dedication we want to hold.  
Dreams.

## Synonym Poetry:

Choose any word. Write that word in capital letters on the first line. On the second line, write three to five synonyms for it. On the third line, write a descriptive phrase about the word. The last two lines of the poem should rhyme.





## Things We Dream Of. . .

Getting straight A's  
Making our parents proud  
Being beautiful  
Having friends  
Becoming rich and famous  
Living forever  
Traveling to distant lands  
Going pro  
Becoming doctors, lawyers, teachers  
Making children laugh  
Being loved  
Being feared  
Finding true happiness  
Changing the world  
Starting over  
Giving it our all  
Making a difference  
Doing things our way  
Living life to the fullest  
Achieving our dreams



### List Poems:

There are so many things that can be written about in lists, that sometimes we cannot think of a thing to write. Lists can be either rhyming or not. It is up to the writer to decide which style she uses.