



My entry to the poetry contest!

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Hello,
This is a heartfelt poem for u :)
By me, ~~Flora Chev...~~

adult category → spoken word, see file to listen!!

Sometimes i cant sleep.
Thoughts plague my mind,
Keep me up.
Thinking, analyzing, and plotting....
My mind races as my body quietly waits for it to slow down and run out of gas....
My body is an onlooker
Dragging heavy limbs here and there....pacing

My head is pounding softly,
like an echo...faint, but present.
In silence we wait for it..
My mind begins to tire out some and unable to keep up, looks for a place to sit for a minute and relax...catch its breath and exhale some.
It finds a grey corner in my head and curls up against its vacant wall.
All that's left are distorted whispers.
Rest now.....
My eyelids are heavy, im going to bed.

**i also recorded it...im going to send it now through the "otter" app

Cant seem to attach it here

Thank you! 😊

Hi

Im entering a poetry contest....what do u think of this one? How do u interpret it?

I like it because i think its relatable to anyone...some of my other poems are more personal 😊

Adult
Spoken Word!

"Don't Believe the Hype"

By: JMW

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Education! Education!
Get your education...
You hear that?
No one wants an education now-a-days
We just worry about clothes, popularity, and
giving our friends praise
Look at you...
Get out of this daze
Our past paid for our education
It came a long ways
We take advantage of this fact
Building negative outcomes
Yea, well that's okay...
Cuz we can all become bums...
Who wants to become a bum??
Maybe you....or you?
Just because others are doing it
Doesn't mean that you have to do it too
Following the crowd is indeed an issue
And it's sad that you don't have a clue that
Individuality is what's up
Not fighting, hating, skipping class
Please stop the gossip!
She's not a teacher's pet because she did her
homework
And
He's not whack because he'd rather be in
class
What is this??
We've reversed the system
Setting our own selves up for failure
Say what??
We've reversed the system
Setting our own selves up for failure
For it is no surprise that we are hypnotized
By stereotypes and lies
But instead my friend be wise...
Try this in for size...
Attention young ladies:
Jealousy needs to be minimized
If she has something that you don't have
Use that to strive

For you will survive
And yours soon will arrive
So stop acting deprived
Love and respect your sister
You need her to stay alive
Yo, yo, yo, what's up young gentlemen,
Stop trying to act like your down
All this falsehood is leaving you bound
Be honest with yourself
Love and accept who you are
Be strong and work hard you will go very
far
Stop being lazy
You have to work for what you want
Things in life won't be handed to you
Life's no restaurant
Listen up...
Every step taken in life is important
You choose your own paths
Have a dream
Create some goals
And make a conscious effort
To make sure that they come to pass
It's time for us to stand up and make a
positive change
Cuz if we don't we will continue to be out of
range
It all starts with self-acceptance
Don't you see...
You have to accept who you are
Not who others want you to be
Don't believe the hype!