

Examples of Free Verse  
poems from last year.

# ROSE BLANCHE

## A LOST LITTLE GIRL

A LOST YOUNG GIRL

WHO WAITED FOR THE BELL TO RING

WHO CYCLED BY THE POND

WHO LAUGHED WITH FRIENDS

UNAWARE OF THE SHATTERING SILENCE

AND VENOMOUS WHISPERS

THIS WAS WHEN LIFE WAS SIMPLE,

A LOST YOUNG GIRL

WHO'S CURIOSITY LEAD TO DANGER

WHO SACRIFICED FOOD FROM HER OWN PLATE

WHO GAVE TO THOSE WHO LAY IN THE SHADOWS

SHE WALKED STRAIGHT INTO DANGER

AND RASPING VOICES HAUNTED HER MIND

SHE SWAM IN A POOL OF HER OWN SORROW,

A LOST YOUNG GIRL

WHO REMEMBERED JOYFUL TIMES

WHO THOUGHT IT COULD ONLY GET BETTER

WHO DIDN'T EXPECT IT TO END SO SOON

A WHIRRING SOUND ECHOED THROUGH THE FOREST

AS SHE FELL ONTO HER DEATH BED

AND ESCAPED TO THE VALLEY OF HEAVEN.

## Oh Young Mocking Bird

A mocking bird lands

Upon my gate.

It took a peck

And fluffed its feathers,

Oh I wish I could fly away.

Oh little mocking bird

Give me your wings.

I've heard of war

It's not a game I'd like to play,

Oh how I wish

Oh I wish to fly away.

The sights you've seen

Young mocking bird.

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The year of heaven

Heaven hills

Is no more...

39 brought a valley of hell with it,

Bombs singing songs,

All day long.

There is no end,

Oh Britain, please stop.

We are no help

But war,

Its not the answer.

Oh little mocking bird

I am blonde

My ocean eyes enchant

My skin is fair

My race is perfect

I am safe

I think

I hope.

Upon my gate, again I sit

Your wings so beautiful

So beautiful, so stretched.

But is it you?

Change has happened

To us all.

Oh I wish mocking bird

Oh how I wish

To fly away.