

Grab The Pen:
Write Your Story



When Shanti Lair-
Croom reads her
poem, the words
come alive.

Pick a phrase from Living
Poetically that captures your
imagination.

Moving Words
Wandering Stories
Surrounded by Love

We Make
Stories Daily



We are ALL Poetry

You'll see
important ideas:

Your parents and grandparents
have stories

We celebrate our differences

We make stories every day

We have different hopes and
visions

You are part of other people's
stories

Pick out some
words or an idea,
and have that be the
start of your poem...



Grab The Pen

or

My Grandpa's Story

You can take this poem anywhere once you have your starting words.

Grab the pen to go to school.
Put your backpack on.
Everyone is in a hurry.

Grab the pen to write this down.
My cat got on my bed and woke me up.
I was sleeping and he wanted to play.

You can EDIT (add or subtract words) and don't worry about spelling for now. Just write.



As you heard, sound is important when a poem is read aloud.

The placement of words on the page matters too.

Break up words and letters to add visual interest.

Grab the pen to write this

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My cat got on my P.
bed and woke me U
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wanted to play.

Remember to capture words or an idea
from Living Poetically.

- Start writing
- Do some editing
- Let your teacher check your spelling
- Make your poem sing across your page

