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Just another person trying to make his/her way in this world.

A Chance

I always seem to come in second place.
When will it be my turn to shine?
When can I make your eyes light up?
Should I set a date?
Why can I not make you proud?
And make your heart flutter with my accomplishments.
Why aren't your joyous screams loud?
When I try to take the lead.
I know of my failures and tried to make them right.
I tried to do well and make something of myself.
But somehow your joy is somewhere else.
I've tried to make you proud
and give you something to brag about.
However I always seem to fall short.
I cant reach or stand on the pedestal that you've set for me.
No matter how hard I try.
I know I disappoint you.
If only you knew what I could do.
Just give me a chance to prove myself.
Let me show you what Im capable of.
Give me a chance to right my failures and thus earn your love. Please mom give
me this chance to come in first.
This time around

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Another Person's Pain

Through anguish and torture
I let you in from my past to my future
You onced asked why I let it go this way
and at first I knew the answer
but now as I search for the reason it fades away
I cant let you go nor can I keep you forever
I wish I could accept the quote 'never say never'
Although now I realize that I never had your heart
wierd how dreams can be torn apart
I wish I could give you a reason
but my resolve fades like the season
Theres more to me than you know
theres apart of me that I cant let go
The more I try to explain this and make you accept me for me
I realize somethings arent meant to be
I tried to ease your pain
but my sorries come and go like the rain
Im sorry for what we've became
but we've watched each other change like night to day
The hardest part is sayin goodbye
However for now i'll let you stay

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Beautiful Things Come And Go

People come and go
but the memories stay
Whats the point of saying hello
knowing that one day
your going to be gone
Why struggle to hold on
when all your going to leave
are bittersweet memories
Faces I can forget
but memories are a part of me
Remembering the way it felt
To be a part of your world
leaves knowing but longing
For the past that can never be
It's old and forgotten
Something I can never get back.

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Confusion?

Why is it that your words affect me so?
With everything that happened why can't I let go?
I try to be a strong person and keep my head held high
I never had a problem saying goodbye
So why do I continue to let you in?
The words, your words they used to be meaningless then
So what has changed?
Is it because of your threats, could I truly care?
But when I needed you, you was never there
So after all these years I thought I was immune
And no longer would I let your words consume
Me I worked hard to get where I am
But I'm curious as to why I keep letting you in.
You've cause me pain before
But this time you caused me enough pain to crush me to the floor.
And it wasn't pain it was anguish
For you made my little brother vanish
Some even you may not understand the tie we share
Because no matter how old he gets I'll always be there
And you knew this
But you told me I was a bad influence
How could that be
for whenever he cries, he cries for me
So why would you take him away
and still want to hurt me to this day?

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Demons

Hiding something so deep,
a memory that is mine to keep
A heart filled with hate
a pain that no medicine can sedate
A soul that is no longer mine
a peice of me lost within time
Thousand of tears shed
from a past that I thought I fled
Emotions buried
from all the burdens that I carried

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Distant

Have we become so distant, that I am able to walk by without a glance?
Simply disappear without a trace
And you wouldn't care, nor take notice.
It is my fault that we became this way?
Am I the reason why your eyes no longer search for mine?
Am I the reason why your arms no longer ach for me?
The reason your kisses are no longer urgent?
Why you no longer fight for my attention
The reason why I have to struggle for your acceptance
We can sit in the same room, and touch but yet feel miles apart
You may not noticed, but its there
You can feel it in the air,
Can I possibly close this gap, or will it always be there
Looming over us like the Grand Canyon?
If I caused this can I fix it?

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I'M Sorry

I've seen your pain, and your hurt.
I'm sorry for treating you like dirt,
I didnt mean to make you cry
nor did I mean it when I wished you would die.
I've made mistakes
I've seen your tears,
that have built up over the years.
I'm sorry for not understanding.
Let me show you I care,
give me a chance to be there.
I always said I would leave,
in truth I could never go far.
For I was wrong to flee,
knowing how much you needed me.
I'm sorry for pushing you aside,
please dont say goodbye.
Give me one more night,
to show you what I said wasnt a lie.
Let me be a part of your world once more.
Through it all I guess all I can say is I'm Sorry.

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Impish Thoughts

As I sit back and ponder,
rereading poems I've written years before.
Thinking of the meanings and I began to wonder
are my poems just impish outbursts of a child,
Has my life not taken a step ahead,
Makes me think I've walked a few steps instead of a mile.
The same words just written differently,
Have I not changed, am I still who I was
My poems I thought they were my escape
From reality, I thought it was a door
that was going to let me run from my fate.
But as I sit here and think my eyes on the floor
I see a scene began to play, but only its a scene from a previous memory
Realizing my poems are about my past and my present but never my future
wonder why?
Thinking of every poem I have ever wrote, I began to think they were all the
same as a diary?
The more I think about it.
I feel as if my poems have no true meaning, no reason to exist
Maybe I'm just good at putting words together bit by bit
Until they rhyme?

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My Emotions

Can you see the sadness in my eyes?
I know that my pain will never go away
Can you tell that my heart wants to die?
When I wake up I know my pain will not end today
When I lay down all I want to do is cry
I feel so alone
As the days pass by
My heart feels like stone
I try to hold my emotions at bay
An I try so hard not to feel my pain
But its a struggle each and every day
And I know that it is all in vain
And all I can do is look
As I watch my blood drip
My emotions easily read like an open book

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My Life

Trying to live my life
Tired of all this strife
I've caused pain and tears
from hurt in the past years
My heart turned to ice
tired of your advice
Trying to tell me what to do
Trying to make me be you
My pain is as deep as the sea
trying to figure out who I want to be
My eyes dark as night
my world has no light
Trying not to cry
as I watch the years fly by

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Oh The Sweet, Sweet Darkness

My soul is black as night
I live in darkness
Never knowing wrong from right
Starving with madness
Constantly falling down
never able to get back up
Always lost never found
like a helpless pup
Oh the sweet, sweet darkness
All alone no one there
The bitter taste of sadness
Emotions laid bare.

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Poems

I talk with my poems
They are my unspoken words
They are my unknowns
The truth is far deeper
than a speech could ever get
My emotions written on paper
I've laid them down for you
What you think means nothing to me
These are my truest thoughts
Written so magically

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Recovery

Pain etched deep
Memories that you wish to keep
I'm here for you to take a chance
Let me show you fates dance
Let me teach you the moves
Come and I'll show life
Let me teach you how to fly

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Requests

Can I hold you tight, throughout the night?
Can I lose myself in your eyes, and never have to worry about saying goodbyes?
Can I hear your fears, and understand your tears?
Can I enjoy your kiss, while you make me go through life in bliss?
I don't want to forget, or feel any regret
I want to give you my heart, but I'm afraid you'll break it apart.
I think of you night and day, there are so many things that I want to say.
I want to say I love you, and this I truly do.
Can I still dream of you tonight, and forget who I am or what is right?

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My life seems so long
now that you're gone
I never imagined my world without you
I feel so lost & don't know what to do
I can no longer hear your laugh
all I can feel is a cold draft
I can no longer feel your warm embrace
feels like I'm in a losing race
I can no longer hear your voice
I just wish you didn't have to make that choice
My tears seem endless
My pain ever so relentless
You weren't just my cousin but also my friend
Even though your gone out friendship has no end
You may be gone
but your memory will live on
When it is my turn to die
I hope to see you on the other side

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Things Unknown

You tell me you love me
And how do I know its true?
Or if me and you were meant to be
With everything thats happened
And things we have yet to go through
Why should I trust in your words?
What meanings lie beneath
something so hidden and deep?

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This Time

The pain is never ending
There is no new beginning
You had your chance
To make things right
Why should I believe you
that everything will be alright
Whats so different
This time around
We will just crash to the ground
Your words were meaningless then
It will happen again
I can no longer believe you
Your tears no longer affect me
I gave you one clue
And gave you a warning
I gave you some advice
But you made your mistake twice,
A third time isn't a charm
It does no good just harm
So tell tell me whats so different this time around?

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Trusting Myself

My child hood years were trying
filled with pain & grief
There was no one there to help me
to trust of give relief
I thought I deserved my plight
I thought I deserved invaders in the night
I could not trust the creature
although he said I should
I could not tell a single soul
and though I never would
But somehow daylight found me
convinced me there was hope
That the truth was out there waiting
that somehow I could cope
The daylight said the answers
were deep within my mind
And if I learned to trust myself
the answers I would find
But I was apprehensive
my fragile heart was shattered
I was tired weak and frail
i knew I must do it
for I am all I had
But fute the myth that all I'd been
was shameful wrong and bad
The journey was a long one
The weariness set in
I knew I could not stop
or go back where I'd been
The pain and hurtful feelings
were within my grasp
I took them one by one
until I had the last

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Unknown

Can you understand my anger?
Can you see my tears?
Sometimes I wish death was near
I look at my wrists
and see the blood drip
Can you understand my pain?
God made my life hell
and each time i fell
I felt resentment
It's like God's asking for payment
Can you understand my tears?
Look at the life I've led
see the blood I've bled
Ccan you not see my scars?
Seems like I can never reach the stars
One day this pain will end
and I'll understand everything thats been

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Valentines Love

For Valentines Day

I don't want chocolates or flowers
or cute little I love you letters
I just want the day to hurry and end
So me and you can make use of the bed
I don't care what happens in the light
It's the fun that goes on during the night
That's making me anxious
Come on lets be freakish
Show me the true meaning of Valentines Day
Afterwards you won't need me to answer ok
To let you know I want to go another round
Lets spice things up and move to the ground
I'm going to make this last until dawn
After I'm through you'll still be turned on
I'll make you go crazy
but don't worry baby
The morning after Valentines Day
is when me and you can truely play

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