

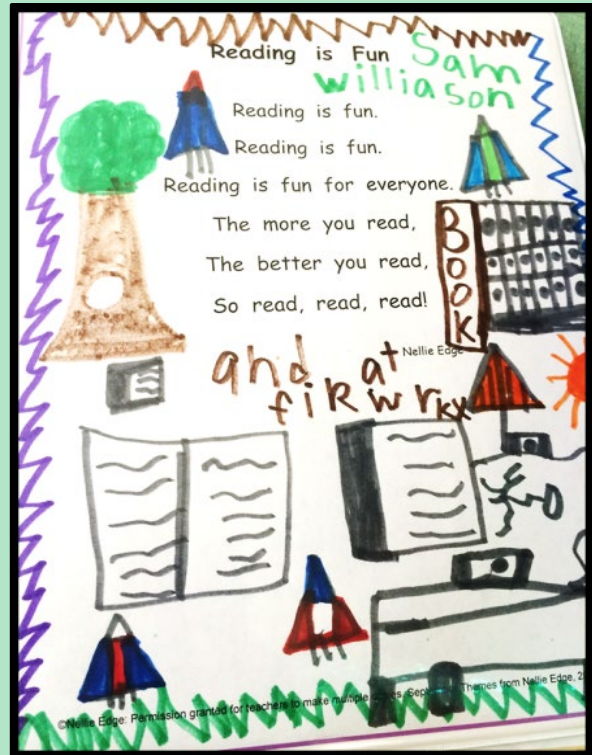
# Poetry in the Lives of Children

*"I Can Read" Anthology of Songs and Poems and Rhymes*

Nellie Edge

## Pledge of Allegiance

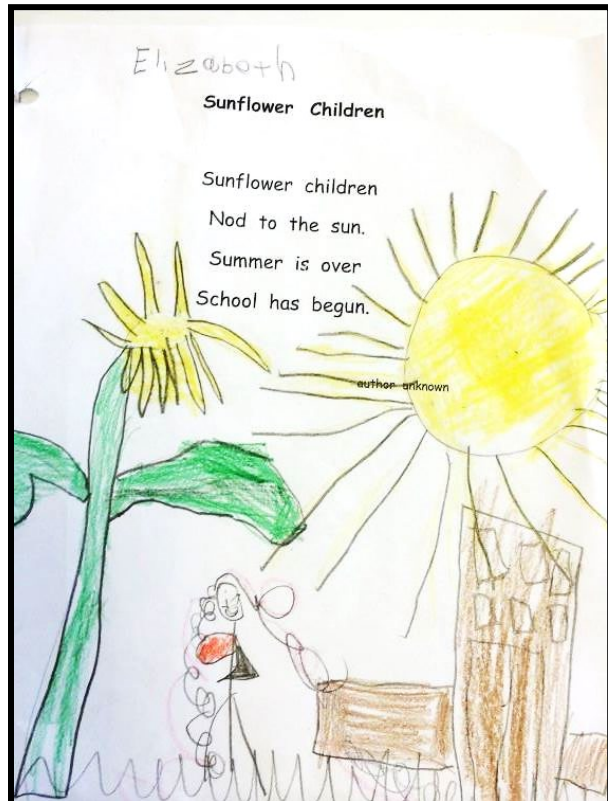
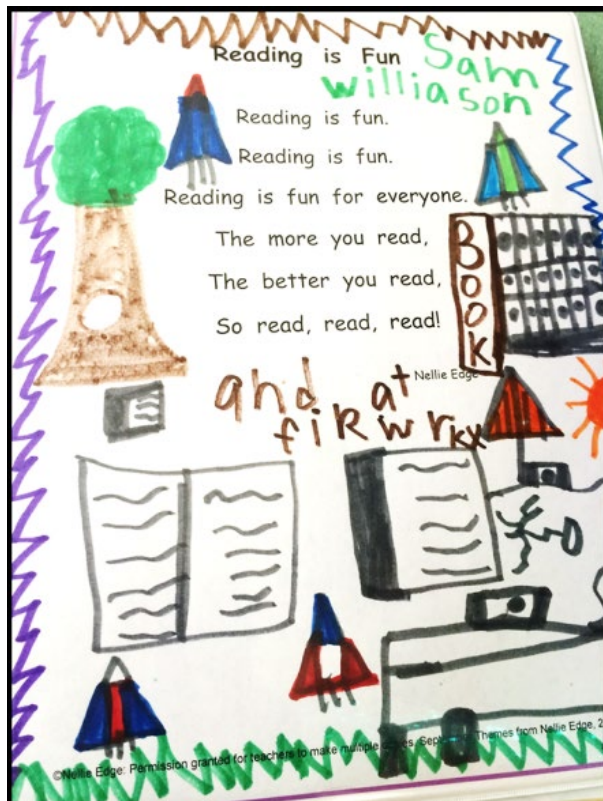
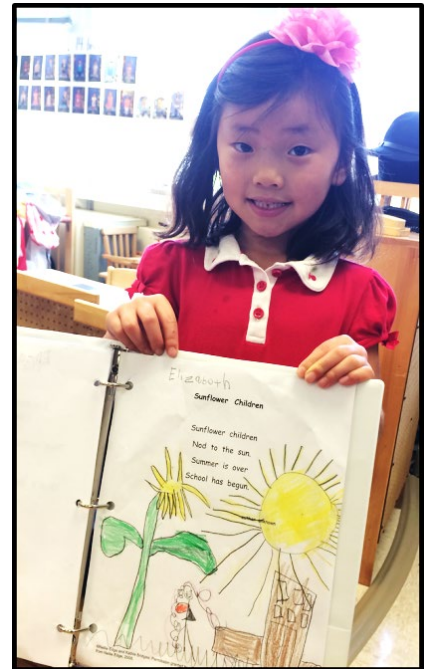
I pledge allegiance  
To the flag  
Of the United States of America  
And to the Republic  
For which it stands  
One Nation under God,  
Indivisible,  
With liberty and justice for all.



*I know well that only the rarest kind of best in anything  
can be good enough for the young. -Walter de la Mare*

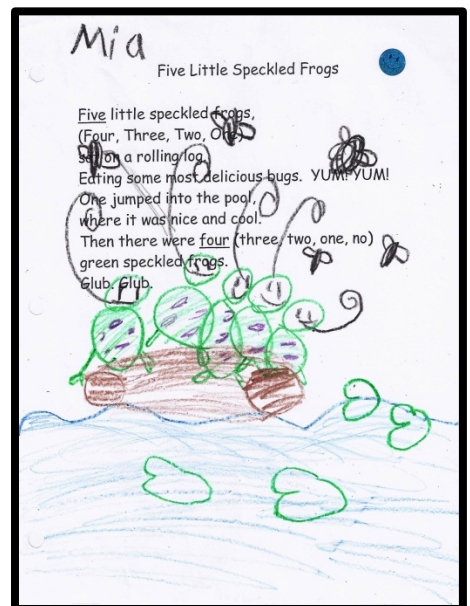
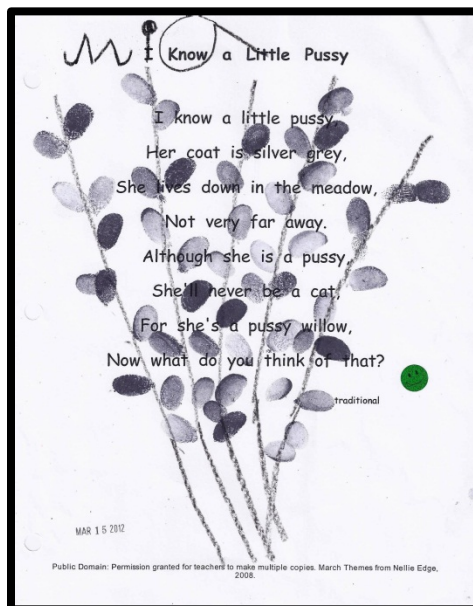
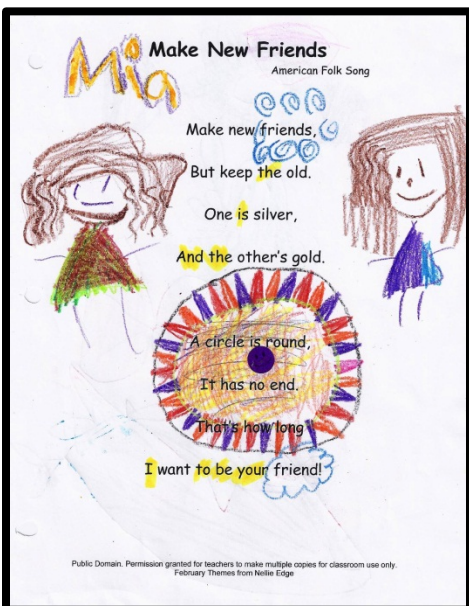
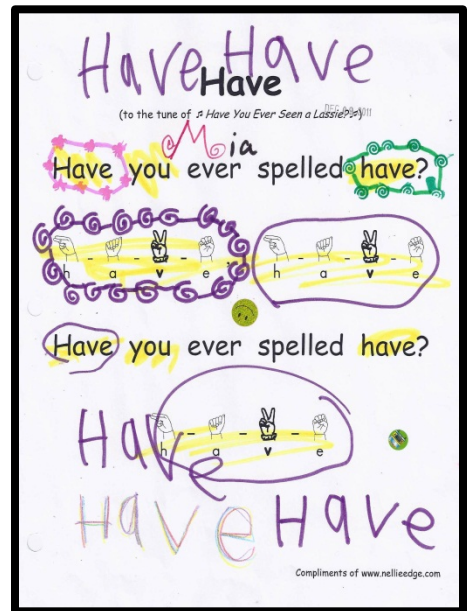
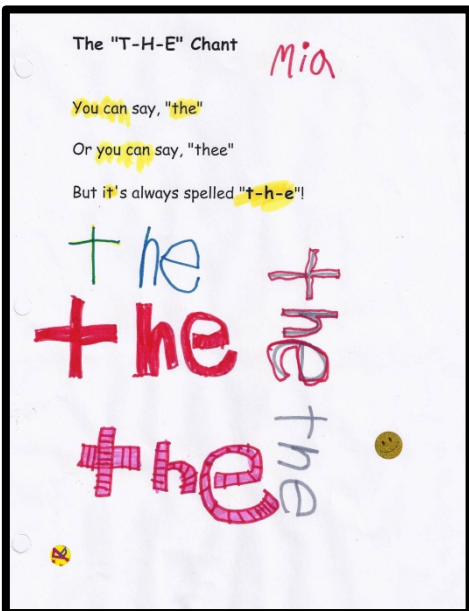
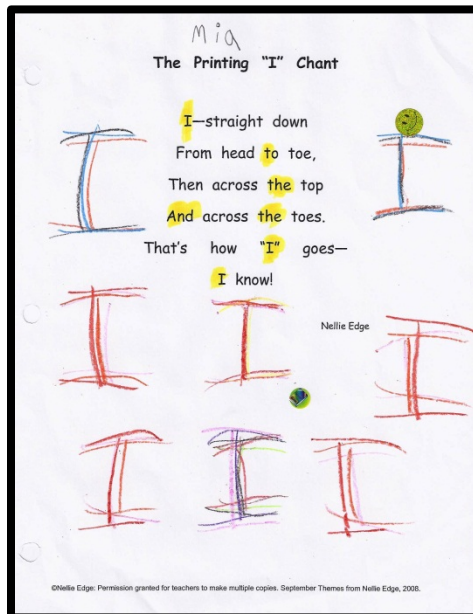
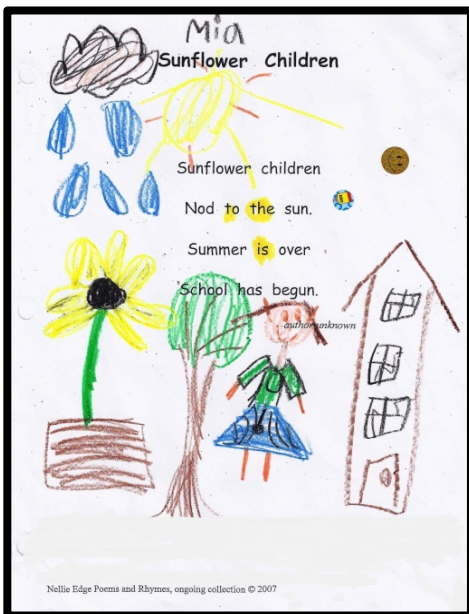
# Reading Is Fun Is Often Our First "I Can Read" Notebook Page

Children illustrate it again the last day of school, tucking it into the back page cover of their Anthology Notebook



From September Poems and Rhymes to Begin On

# Reading is Fun: "I Can Read" Notebooks Are a Treasure!



# Sunflower Children

Sunflower children

Nod to the sun.

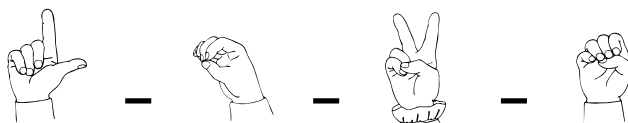
Summer is over,

School has begun.

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# L-o-v-e Spells Love

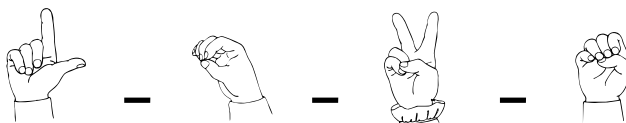
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And to the republic  
For which it stands  
One Nation under God.  
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# Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star

Twinkle, twinkle little star  
How I wonder what you are!  
Up above the world so high  
Like a diamond in the sky  
Twinkle, twinkle little star  
How I wonder what you are!

# See You Later, Alligator

See you later, alligator  
After a while, crocodile  
Bye-bye, butterfly  
Give a hug, ladybug  
Toodle-ee-oo, kangaroo  
See you soon, racoon  
Time to go, buffalo  
Can't stay, blue jay  
Mañana, iguana  
The end, my friend!

*adapted by Nellie Edge*

# I Can! C-a-n

I can! c - a - n



I can! c - a - n



I can! c - a - n



Yes, I know I can!

*Nellie Edge*

