




## Writing Starters

Ideas for sharing your dream with the world.

### Fill in the Dream Poem


Copy the words in bold and fill in the blanks for what you dream...

**I have a Dream**   
**That I can ...**  
**That my family ...**  
**That my friends ...**  
**Oh, I Have a Dream**  
**That all children ...**  
**That adults ...**  
**That people will ...**  
**Oh, I Have a Dream**  
**That people will find ...**  
**That people will learn ...**  
**That there will be ...**  
**Oh, I have a Dream.**

### 20 YEARS


Think of a problem that you see around you in the world today that you wish would be gone in 20 years. (How old will you be then?) What is your dream of that world? What would it be like? Look like? Feel like? How can you do something, even a very small thing, to take action in the direction of that dream?

Write a poem using these lines and adding your words:

**I live a world where ...**   
*Add 3 or more lines describing the problem.*  
**I dream a world where ...**  
*Add 3 or more lines describing the dream.*  
**I make a world where ...**  
*Add 3 or more lines describing what you'll do.*


### Dream Comparison

Copy the words in bold and fill in the blanks with comparisons to describe your dream to share with the world.

**My dream looks like ...**   
**My dream sounds like ...**  
**My dream feels like ...**  
**My dream smells like ...**  
**My dream tastes like ...**

### Repeating Starters

Choose one of the following where you start each line with the phrase

**In my dream ...**   
**or**

**I dream a world where...**

*Write 5 or more lines starting with one of these phrases.*


**I may be dreaming, but what if ...** 

*Start each line with this then add something wonderful you can imagine.*

### List Poem

Think of a job where you *create* something—a composer, a baker, a painter, etc. Think of a world you'd create and what you'd put in it—as Hughes does.

Start with these lines then add your list:

**When I get to be a ....**  
**I'm going to make a ....**  
**With ...** 

*Add 5 or more lines listing what you'll include in it.*

## Try Your Hand

Choose one of these forms and write your dreams to share with the world on a separate sheet. Writing it is the first step. Everything important starts with a dream.