Wishes and Fears Poem

I am afraid of _____
I am afraid of _____
I am afraid that _____
I am afraid that _____
I am even afraid _____

I am afraid of _____
I am afraid of _____
I am afraid that _____
I am afraid that _____
I am even afraid _____

I want _____
I want _____
I want _____
I want _____
I even want _____

I want _____
I want _____
I want _____
I want _____
And I want _____
Most of all.

Sample:

I am afraid of spiders
I am afraid of lightning strikes
I am afraid that the milk has gone bad
I am afraid that the well will run dry
I am even afraid I might show up ten minutes late

I am afraid of final exams
I am afraid of making speeches
I am afraid that my math may be wrong
I am afraid that I'll say a bad word
I am even afraid of the dark

I want friends who smile back
I want fresh fruits and vegetables
I want fewer reruns on summer TV
I want 50% off sales
I even want to read books with happy endings

I want to laugh
I want to sing
I want to dance
I want to get the joke
And I want to be here
Most of all
"I Am" Poem

I am (two special characteristics)
I wonder (something you are actually curious about)
I hear (an imaginary sound)
I see (an imaginary sight)
I want (an actual desire)
I am (the first line of the poem restated)

I pretend (something you pretend to do)
I feel (a feeling about something imaginary)
I touch (an imaginary touch)
I worry (something that really bothers you)
I cry (something that makes you very sad)
I am (the first line of the poem repeated)

I understand (something you know is true)
I say (something you believe in)
I dream (something you actually dream about)
I try (something you make an effort to do)
I hope (something you actually hope for)
I am (the first line of the poem repeated)

Sample:

I am sharp and focused
I wonder what the camera really sees
I hear the buzzing bee
I see flowers in early morning light
I want to stop time in a box
I am sharp and focused

I pretend to be a statue
I feel the shakes inside
I touch the shutter button
I worry about the blurry result
I cry that the moment has forever passed
I am sharp and focused

I understand moments in time
I say let's freeze them forever
I dream of watercolor effects coming to life
I try to see all the soft muted edges
I hope it happens someday
I am sharp and focused
"All I Want" Poem

All I want is someone to _______________
Someone to _______________

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Someone to _______________
Someone to _______________
Someone to _______________

All I want is _______________.

Sample:

All I want is someone to laugh
Someone to listen, then smile

All I want is someone to laugh
Someone to get the joke
Someone to totally crack up

All I want is someone to laugh
Someone to lighten up
Someone to not take life so seriously
Someone to laugh out loud from their toes north

All I want is someone to laugh
Someone to show me teeth and gums
Someone to smile ear to ear
Someone to giggle 'til their jaw aches
Someone to roll off their chair

All I want is a laugh out loud audience of people.
Me & My Shadow Poem

Line 1: My shadow wears
Line 2: (one item of clothing described)
Line 3: (another item of clothing described)
Line 4: (a third item of clothing described)
Line 5: and (he or she) knows
Line 6: the order of things.

Line 7: (His or Her) hair is like
Line 8: (description of hair using a simile)
Line 9: May shadow is a ______
Line 10: (phrase using a metaphor)
Line 11: (continue the metaphor)
Line 12: (complete the metaphor)

Sample:

My shadow wears
scary low jeans
barely there belly shirts
second skin spandex mini mini-skirts
and she knows
the order of things
Her hair is like
a neon sign flashing off and on
My shadow is a meteor
flaring and flashing, crashing
towards the ground
trails of fading light behind

Tanka Poem

LINE 1 Five syllables: Describe when it happened
LINE 2 Seven syllables: Describe what happened
LINE 3 Five syllables: Your worst fear
LINE 4 Seven syllables: A positive outcome from the experience
LINE 5 Seven syllables: One life lesson you learned as a result

Sample:

Friday afternoon
Blue screen of death server crash
Precious data gone
Do it over and over
Never forget to back up
"What If" Poem

Line 1: What if _____?
Line 2: I might _____
Line 3: What if _____?
Line 4: I could _____
Line 5: What if _____?
Line 6: I would _____
Line 7: Ask a question?

Sample:

What if summer lasted half a year?
    I might finally learn to swim
What if chocolate were good for your health?
    I could earn a medal for wellness
What if worrying made you smarter?
    I would be a brain surgeon, that's for sure
What if poems were wishes that could actually come true?

"All About Me" Poem

Line 1: First Name
Line 2: Four descriptive traits
Line 3: Sibling of...
Line 4: Lover of...
Line 5: Who fears...
Line 6: Who needs...
Line 7: Who gives...
Line 8: Who would like to see...
Line 9: Resident of...
Line 10: Last Name

Sample:

Alysa
    Short, feisty, artsy, crafty
Sibling of Phyllis and Sam
Lover of cats and flowers
    Fears fatal errors
Needs a healthy network
Gives help where needed
Would like to see peaceful blooms and fur flying
    Resident of NJ
    Cummings
Life Lessons Poem

Line 1: I'm learning to _____
Line 2: And I'm learning to _____
Line 3: And I'm learning to _____
Line 4: Not _____, when I _____
Line 5: And I'm learning not to _____
Line 6: And I'm learning not to _____
Line 7: And I'm learning (though it sometimes really hurts me)
Line 8: Not to _____
Line 9: And I'm learning to _____
Line 10: When I _____
Line 11: And I'm learning that it's much
Line 12: Much easier to be _____

Sample:

I'm learning to say thank you.
And I'm learning to say please.
And I'm learning to use Kleenex,
Not my sweater, when I sneeze.
And I'm learning not to dribble.
And I'm learning not to slurp.
And I'm learning (though it sometimes really hurts me)
Not to burp.
And I'm learning to chew softer
When I eat corn on the cob.
And I'm learning that it's much
Much easier to be a slob.

Limerick

There once was a _____named _____.
Who ate _____.
But the _____,
To be _____.
They were _____

Sample:

There once was a pelican named Izzie.
Who fishes until she was dizzy.
But the fishes didn't mind,
To be treated so unkind.
They were just glad to keep her so busy.
Sweet Dreams Poem

Last night I dreamed of (name of an animal plural),
there were (name of animal plural) everywhere,
they were (place one description),
they were (place two descriptions),
they were (place three descriptions),
they were (place four descriptions),
they were (place five descriptions),
as they raced about my bed.

They were on the (place six description),
they were on the (place seven description),
they were (action description),
they were (action description),
there were (name of animal plural), (name of animal plural), (name of animal plural),
for as far as I could see...
when I woke today, I noticed
there were (something to do with your animal) all over me.

Sample:

Last night I dreamed of chickens,
there were chickens everywhere,
they were standing on my stomach,
they were nesting in my hair,
they were pecking at my pillow,
they were hopping on my head,
they were ruffling up their feathers
as they raced about my bed.

They were on the chairs and tables,
they were on the chandeliers,
they were roosting in the corners,
they were clucking in my ears,
there were chickens, chickens, chickens
for as far as I could see...
when I woke today, I noticed
there were eggs on top of me.