

Inspired by WritingFix's [Favorite Things Poetry Assignment](#), these five fourth graders created the poems you see here.

As they wrote and revised these poems, they worked especially hard on their **idea development** and **word choice** skills. With a partner, discuss where each poet excels with these two writing traits.

Soft fur on puppies and scales on goldfish,
Cold chocolate ice cream with syrup in a dish,
Kites that fly high in the sky with long strings,
These are a few of my favorite things.



Monkeys, gorillas, orangutans and chimpanzees,
All up swinging high in the trees,
Up in a tree, a pretty bird sings,
These are a few of my favorite things.

Deep in the forest, I swing from a vine,
There are small, yellow chicks that walk in a line,
Waiting inside until the doorbell rings,
These are a few of my favorite things.

When my head spins,
When I fall down,
When I get mad,
I simply remember my favorite things,
And then I don't feel so bad! (by Grace)

Crisp sunshine mornings and bright-colored sunsets,
Playing on i-Pods and singing to cassettes,
Hearing a bird in a tree as it sings,
These are a few of my favorite things.



Blue-colored skies and bright stars in the nighttime,
Flowers are blooming and church bells are chiming,
Swans with their graceful and beautiful wings,
These are a few of my favorite things.

Yellow lemonade and melted marshmallows,
Creamy Alfredo and red fruity Jellos,
Cute little bunnies all playing in spring,
These are a few of my favorite things.

When the sky's grey,
When I get hurt,
When I'm feeling mad,
I simply remember my favorite things,
And then I don't feel so bad! (by Trisha)

Chocolate-chip cookies and strawberry smoothies,
Long hot summers and new funny movies,
Husbands and wives exchanging their rings,
These are a few of my favorite things.



Cuddly black puppies and soft newborn kittens,
Long red scarves and soft white mittens,
Tulips and daffodils that bloom in the spring,
These are a few of my favorite things.

Walking on beaches and reading good books,
Catching the football and getting a fish on my hook,
Winning the game with all four kings,
These are a few of my favorite things.

When the glass breaks,
When my head aches,
When I am feeling sick,
I simply remember my favorite things,
And then I don't feel so bad! (by Olivia)

Tickle fights with Dad and laughing out loud,
Rainbows so pretty and a white puffy cloud,
Soaring through life like a bird on its wing,
These are a few of my favorite things!



Smell of warm cookies that pleasure my nose,
Palm trees in the breeze and the sand between my toes,
Hitting the ball in the outfield every time,
These are the things that I find so divine!

Flowers so pretty and swimming so fun,
Playing in the backyard in the warm summer sun,
Riding my bike through my nice neighborhood,
These are the things that make me feel so good!

When the lightning strikes,
And the coyotes howl,
When my sister cries,
I simply remember my favorite things,
And dream of the blue, blue skies! (by Courtney)

Rich chocolate brownies while reading a good book,
Taking a drive, let's go have a look,
Watching a sunset go down for the day,
These are a few of my favorite things.



Bonfires with S'mores and grass tickling my feet,
Watching movies with friends are a treat,
Cooking up a storm with smells all over,
These are a few of my favorite things.

Crackling fires and riding my bike,
Warm hot chocolate and marshmallows too,
Cocoa up to my nose real tight,
These are a few of my favorite things.

When my friends fight,
When my grade drops,
When I'm feeling sick,
I simply remember my favorite things,
And then I don't feel so bad. (by Megan)