

## Original poems inspired by I Ain't Gonna Paint No More

### Poem #1:

I must eat the crust on my pizza stick.  
I must eat the crust on my pizza.  
If I don't eat the crust, I'll turn into dust.  
I must eat the crust on my pizza.

### Poem #2:

I ain't gonna fight no more, no more.  
I ain't gonna fight no more.  
'Cuz when I fight, it ain't a pretty sight,  
So I ain't gonna fight no more.



Alex H.



Chevelle H.



Jimmy G.



Skyler S.

Mrs. Bronk's awesome fifth grade writers, inspired by the book I Ain't Gonna Paint No More, created their own songs that could be sung to the book's rhythm.

Read the four poems on this page, then talk to a partner to decide which writer you think wrote each four-line poem. (The answer, teachers, is on the next page...for your eyes only.)

Next, decide which of the four writers should win the following awards:

1. "Best rhythm for singing the poem"
2. "Best word choice"
3. "Best sense of humor"
4. "Best imitation of the book's poem"
5. "Best poem that seems different from the original in the book"
6. "Poem that you could personally relate to the best."

### Poem #3:

I met a stingray in the bay, in the bay,  
I met a stingray in the bay.  
His name was Ray, and he liked to play  
croquet,  
And his birthday is in May.

### Poem #4:

I ain't gonna dance no more, no more.  
I ain't gonna dance no more.  
Because if I do, I might scare you,  
So I ain't gonna dance no more.

Answers for matching poets to poems:

Poem #1: Chevelle

Poem #2: Jimmy

Poem #3: Alex

Poem #4: Skyler