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Who am I? I am Spiderman. Well, actually I'm not. But I love to quote lines from movies. Born in the city, I am now living in the country. I love it here. I have five horses and I train them myself. I have six brothers, all younger than I am. I love to write, read, paint, draw, and make jewelry. That is, when I am not riding horses or getting thrown off of them, which happens fairly regularly.

Ivy

A Deception

With honeyed words she did call With fluttering eyes she did beckon And more the fool was I For not stopping to reckon

For her charm is always fleeting And her love doesn't last Her heart is and empty tomb As deep as it is vast

A Friend At Last

What do you do when life gets lonely? Does anyone care that you're sad When you're lonely or hurt Who do you turn to for comfort?

I was so alone once Hurt, and lost in this world Then I prayed a simple prayer "Jesus, please forgive me, I repent

I have found a friend at last Who cares and helps me through trial Now I'm not quite alone And every day I have a greater joy

A Hint Of Fall

Shadows shifting Fleeting across The ground

Leaves falling Floating softly, Floating down

Wind blowing Speaking in Silent tones

Streams murmuring, Rippling, gurgling Over stones

Clouds blowing Tumbling past The falling sun

Fading light On sparkling Waters run

Trees swaying A hint of fall In golden color

The season changes Crowned with Glowing splendor

A Talk With God

I asked my Lord
Who are you?
He said in a loud voice
I Am that I Am
I am the Alpha and Omega
I am the beginning and end

I asked my God
Do you love me?
He said unto me
My child, I do
I sent my only Son
To die for you

I asked my Lord
Do you care for me?
He replied and said
My child, I do
For, do I not care for the birds?
How much more do I care for you

I asked my God
Why did your Son die for me?
He answered me
The debt of sin had to be paid
Only a perfect sacrifice would do
My Son was the only one

I asked my Lord
Will I ever see you?
He looked at me and said
I tell you truly
If you believe in me
You will be with me in heaven

I asked my God How can I know you more? He answered again Read my holy word And keep my commandments Also, pray unceasingly

I asked my Lord
How do I pray?
He replied again
Call on my name
Pray for your brothers in the faith
I will hear you

I asked my God
How did this world come to be?
He said to me
I have created all things
Everything is as I saw fit
And this world is my world

I asked my Lord
When will I see you?
And he answered me saying
You will see me again
When I call you here to your home
And you will see my face

I asked my God
Am I forgiven?
He replied unto me
My child, I say to you
Your sin has been covered
And you will forever be forgiven

I asked my Lord
How much do you love me?
He said again to me
Truly I tell you
Nothing can separate you
From my everlasting love

I said to my God
I humble myself
In you presence I kneel
Your word lasts forever

And your name is on my lips
I praise you with all of my might

I said to my Lord
Lord I am nothing
You are everything
May the peoples of this earth
Praise your name forever
For you are the Lord God

I said to my God
Let the nations rejoice
Let the lands bow at your feet
You are mighty on heaven and earth
And your mercy lasts forever
Surely you are my Lord

My Lord said to me
Oh child, blessed are you
For you have not seen Me
But yet believe in me
For there are those who have seen
But do not believe

My God said to me
Go into the world
And tell all the peoples who I am
They imprisoned me
And surely they will imprison you
But I have over come the world

My Lord said to me
Do not be discouraged
For I will be with you
You will not face this world alone
Be of good cheer
And remember me

My God said to me
Go tell the world the end is near
When I will pour my wrath
Upon the earth

And those who follow evil Will want to die

My Lord said to me
When you go into the world
Remember I will be with you
Be ready at all times of the day
For I will come soon
And one day you will be with me

My God said to me
Remember I have created all things
From the beginning I was there
And before time began
I was always there
And I will forever be

As Night Fell In The Valley (A View From My Window)

A thin, golden ribbon splits the landscape Framed on one side by the hills along the river And gently touching the twilight darkened clouds above As night fell in the valley along the river

Between My Horse's Wings

Is this real, or is this fantasy?
The wind rushing forcefully
Through my long dark hair
The feel of the cool air
Beneath the horse's wings

Is this real, or is this fantasy
The muscles work powerfully
To drive us into the night
The stars wink like little lights
Above the horse's wings

Is this real, or is this fantasy?
My horse flies gracefully
Over the fields and streams
Are these things only my dreams?
Sitting between the horse's wings

Between My Horse's Wings (Expanded)

Is this real, or is this fantasy?
The wind rushing forcefully
Through my long dark hair
The feel of the cool air
Beneath the horse's wings

Is this real, or is this fantasy
The muscles work powerfully
To drive us into the night
The stars wink like little lights
Above the horse's wings

Is this real, or is this fantasy?
As I ride over the ocean and sea
My muscles tense as I hold
My skin red from the windy cold
Flowing past the horse's wings

Is this real, or is this fantasy?
I revel in this dangerous ecstasy
A silvery mane blows in my face
Blown back, by the wind we race
Born on by the horse's wings

Is this real, or is this fantasy?
As we fly through the air swiftly
My face is lifted toward the sky
Arms outstretched, wind rushing by
The beating of the horse's wings

Is this real, or is this fantasy?
Faster and faster, we seem to fly
The wind tugging at my body
As I look to the heavenly bodies
Shining on the horse's wings

Is this real, or is this fantasy? My horse flies gracefully Over the fields and streams Are these things only my dreams? Sitting between the horse's wings

Dear Grandma

Dear Grandma, I remember When you were there for me Dear Grandma, I remember Your smile was a joy to see

Dear Grandma, I remember
The wonderful dinners I had
I remember how you cared
You dried my tears when I was sad

Dear Grandma, I remember All the wonderful things you gave You would let us play around You would always be there to wave

Dear Grandma, I remember All your loving care Helping when I was sick You were always there

Dear Grandma, I remember That you are there for me yet Always a comfort to me Dear Grandma, I wont forget

Eternal Life, Evermore

A look of sorrow
The feel of shame
The eyes of an innocent
Tell the story of pain

An undeserved beating A cry of helpless pain The injustice to one Is clear once again

A tear in my eye
A prayer for peace
A terrible deed done
Death, at the very least

My sorrow is so great My shame consumes me I have done wrong Grace, is then my plea

But then, forgiveness Condemned no more Evil now washed away Eternal life, evermore

Flowers

Remember that flowers are... A bit of joy that we can see

They are there for the looking... For you and for me

Colorful and bright...
They can bring joy to your heart

Painted and shining
They are our rainbow to hold

Colored in blue, red, orange... Purple, pink, and gold

Some are big and blue Some are small and bright

No matter what color They are all a shining sight

Flowers Ii

A flower opens
Its petals spread
Toward the sun
Though still, not dead
But seeing none
The bee lands
And pollen takes
The bee honey makes
The flower is there
For hours or few days
Open to the rays
Of warm sunlight

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Flying

High over the earth,
Wind rushing through
My wings,
I sometimes wonder
What it would be like
To walk the earth
Instead of flying over

Geese Above The River

In the shadows of the evening
Against the cloud-streaked sky
The geese glide above the trees.
Between the darkening hills,
Above the golden, winding river
The flocks skim gently over the water

Glory Of Man And Horse

Oh, the glory of the charge! Man and horse to battle Never an army too large To stand in their way

Oh, the glory of the plains! Man and horse to conquer Battling wind and rains To tame the far, far west

Oh, the glory of the sand!
Man and horse to test
Over the hot, dry land
To try their strength

Oh, the glory of the race! Man and horse to run Galloping a fearsome pace To win that golden cup

Golden Morn'

Shades of yellow, shades of brown The morning light filters through the air The early stillness bears no sound

A silhouette, black on the golden morn' The sparkle of dew on a starry lawn In this rainbow a new day is born

This moment is a bit of magic revealed The treasure of the dawning day The golden light shines, now unveiled

Horse And Rider

The prairie blows the grasses And whips the horse's mane. They travel, horse and rider, Through the sea of amber grain

Hills roll by, and clouds pass But steady are the horse's hooves Upon the wind blown grass As they travel, horse and rider

There is no trail that they follow No path that can be seen There they travel, horse and rider Upon the endless blowing green

Horse Limerick I

I was riding my horse one day
When he suddenly stopped in the Way
Along came a car
My horse went far
Really far, far away

Horses Above The Music Strains

Pounding hooves, flying manes Thundering feet, over music strains A rushing wind, a darkening sky Horse rush, sending dust rising high

A flash of color, black and white A crash of bodies, horses in the night Lightening flashes, thunder rumbles Across the open prairie, grasses tumble

Past trees, over and through brush Over rising hills, past plains they rush Thundering feet, above the music strains Pounding hooves and flying manes

Horses In The Snow

Their manes are a wintry white Frosted with the glittering snow There backs are dappled light And shimmer with a frozen glow

Dark browns and golden tones Contrast with the wonderland From dark grays to deep roans The muted colors of the land

Their manes and backs are white Frosted with the falling snow The horses dance through the light Of the shining, shimmering snow

I Am Very Still

I am very still
But not the world around me

This land quivers,
Teeming with unseen life

I am very still The clouds tumble past

Each cloud white Against the bright azure sky

I am very still
The lark on the grass sings

The birds fly
Taking to the air with joy

I am very still Upon this lush prairie land

With the wind Whispering through the grass

I Dream Of Horses

There is a dream
Of rushing wind
And riding o'er
The growing green

There is a hope
That rises in the heart
Of flowing manes
And pounding hooves

There is an idea
Of roaming the plain
Just you and your horse
Free and wild

There is a story
Of horses and glory...
But now I am awake
And the dream is gone

There is a dream
That I wake up from
That I long to return to
And fly again

I Dream Of Horses Ii

When I lay down to sleep Visions of running horses, In my slumber so deep, Gallop through my mind

I dream of running my hand Through the silky mane Fingertips feeling every strand Of that long black hair

I picture myself on his back My face pressed into his neck The wind pulling my hair back As the dream goes on...

I Dream To Roam

I dream to roam To see the grass Just over the hill

I dream to roam To ride my horse Wherever I will

I dream to roam Over the prairies Beneath the sky

I dream to roam Across the plains As the hawk cries

I dream to roam

My face to the wind

As I ride my steed

I dream to roam Wherever this lonely Trail may lead

I Long

I hear a whisper I hear a song I hear the wind And I long

I long to run And to fly To seize this day Not stand by

I Ride My Horse

I feel the wind I hear the birds I ride my horse As I sing words

I see the grass
I feel the leather
I ride my horse
Upon the heather

I taste the dust I see the heat I ride my horse To his own beat

I feel the joy
I taste the fun
I ride my horse
Into the yellow sun

I Sit Upon My Horse

I sit upon my horse And gaze at the field A field of rippling grass Blowing in the wind

I sit upon my horse And gaze at the sky A clear blue sky Filled with clouds

I sit upon my horse And gaze at the sun A yellow sun up high Shining on my face

I sit upon my horse And gaze at this world A world fashioned, Created by my God

In Front Of The Mirror

We often stand in front of a mirror Looking at ourselves for hours Yet, when we finally turn away We often forget just who we are

Intelligent Design

A sun so bright
A sky so cloudless and clear
Moon and stars
All speak of a creator to fear

The earth, the sky, and the sea They all speak of a greater divine That man can speak and think Is a witness of intelligent design

That man has such emotions As anger, hope, and love Speak not of Evolution But of a greater power above

Life

There is life
The hawks are soaring
The winds are roaring

The earth is wide
With a flowing tide
Over sands waves crash
In little pools minnows splash

In the hot sands the sun glistens In the morn every bird listens Everywhere life is found Life simple, yet still profound

The winds are roaring
The hawks are soaring
And there is life

Mountains

Majestic mountains
Their spires lifted
To greet the sun
Embracing the sky
Since time has begun
Clothed with green splendor
Guarded by hills
Greeted with wonder
Crowned with white
Like sparkling jewels
Upon a great height
Waterfalls flow like fountains
Oh, that I should return
Majestic mountains

Mustangs

Miles are left behind The drumming of hooves Can be heard across the plains The wind whips through The golden mane The sleek muscles work with ease The sun-yellow coat Gleams with fire it's own The dust cloud marking the trail The breeze gentle ripples the grass While the legs of the stallion Work up the ground with fury The whole earth shakes with The power that runs in the wind Spread out behind, are a herd The gray dust can just barely Hide the gleaming coats Of the wild ones, the Mustangs The life of the wild prairies And rugged mountains The shadow of the hidden life An eagle cries above The spread out grassland The mustangs travel on Their home is on the ranges And among the trees They are the heart of the land itself Filled with spirit and power Always and forever The land shall be ruled by the Wild mustang

My Horse, My Love

I can only imagine What is in your heart, What do you feel When we are apart?

My horse, my love, I have given you my all Do you dream of me, Do you think of me at all?

My horse, my love,
I gaze into your eyes
Your presence fills the air
Ever the same, ever a surprise

My horse, my love, Do you care for me? I dream of you at night When you are all I see

I can only imagine, What is in your heart, What do you feel When we are apart?

O'Er The Sea

A gentle breeze
Blends with the murmur of waves.
A gull cries
Its echo floating above the water.
A rainbow sky
Finds reflection on the open sea.
A shadow flies,
The shape of pilgrim clouds above,
O'er the sea

Oh, That I Could Say...

Oh, that I could say
Exactly what I feel
The fluidness of emotion
The vividness of real

Oh, that I could say
Exactly what I hear
All the tremors of sound
The sweetness of the near

Oh, that I could say
Exactly what I see
The excellence of color
The simplest of the sea

One Thing

One thing that this world needs, One thing that this place craves, On thing that all its people pleads, A freedom for all its bound slaves.

Not bound by chains or fetters, Nor bound by the words of men, But maybe bound by the letters Of their own dream's black pen.

With thoughts we sign our own deed With words we lock ourselves in; The voices of friends do we rarely heed When our fruitless plans ripen

Though we seek our eternal freedom, We close ourselves up now and still Unless we find the eternal kingdom We will live on with no thought or will

Reflections

Look into a bit of clear water
Pure as the day itself
And see the reflection of
The things we say we aren't
What a pity we didn't look more
For if we did, might we see
The things we should often try to be

Something Said

"From tree to rock." Said Something
"I have heard that it binds
Every living thing
To something."
Something
Said

Spring

When spring first appears Can none cease the tears Of the heavenly clouds?

Or can they stop the shine Of the sun on hills, or time Can cease the ever warmth?

Suspicious Minds

How suspicious are the human minds When we conjure up demons from unseen finds

From one person's misdeeds We grow a garden of judging weeds

How quick we are to believe a mouth of deceit That speaks often of lies and conceit

The Call

Head up, neck outstretched Reaching for the winking star The horse glides over the snow And the call is echoed over far

The call of running in the moonlight Of whispering through the trees The cry of all the shifting shadows And galloping with the breeze

The Coming Spring

And in the dreariness
Just before spring
There comes a tiding
That heaven brings
A scent of fresh green
Mingled with a warm wind
A hint of flowers unseen
Beneath the warming earth
And as winter clutches
And grasps its last
Spring enters from the south
And stands steadfast

The Eagle Thoughts

High over the earth,
Wind rushing through
My wings,
I sometimes wonder
What it would be like
To walk the earth
Instead of flying over

The Horses In My Dream

In my sleep, I hear the galloping of hooves It seems a hundred thousand horses run Across the prairie in my mind as I sleep Those painted ponies kick and rear in fun

In my sleep, I hear the screaming of the stallion As he paws at the dreamy turf of moonlight He leaps and races ahead of the tumbling herd As they ride to the edge of this phantom night

The Meaning Of True Love

A love shared, a life shared Words spoken heart to heart

A true love kiss From husband to wife

A love that lasts a life

The Old Book

I found a book; it's pages yellow with time
Covered with leather and well worn with use
I could not know what a treasure I had found
Despite its age, the book was timeless
It told of joy and hope; sorrow and pain
But through all, God had left the message plain
He loves us all no matter what we do...
I found a book; it's pages yellow with time
Covered with leather and well worn with use
I could not know what a treasure I had found

The Reason

I never knew your face
But I knew your voice
I never knew your name
But I knew my choice
Though I tried to hide
All my sin inside
I could not forget
The reason You died

The Stallion's Gift (Part I)

The hills are dark around me
No moon shines its light
A flash of movement to my left
A sound that's lost to the night

The wind blows upon the grass
The stars fill the ebony sky
I hear a pounding of hooves
I feel a rush of air pass me by

The howl of a wolf in the distance The sound of horses out of sight I hear the fierce stallions cry As he leads the herd in the night

The mountains are at the horizon Where soon the sun will shine My eyes search for the stallion Then he's there staring into mine

The wind is suddenly still
As still as this very night
I stare into the stallion's eyes
And see a spark of divine light

The hills are gray around me
The dawn's light begins to show
In that second, the stallion is gone
Leaving a spark that begins to glow

The Stallion's Gift (Part Ii)

The sunlight fills the cloudless sky
Chasing away the cool night
My hands are cupped together
Holding the a tiny ember of light

The air around me holds a warmth
That soon will turn to oppressive heat
The jewel, like spark, I hold in my hand
Seems to pulse as my heart beats

The sun is reflected in the dew Sparkling in the morning sun I hold this molten jewel to my face A feeling wells up in me: Run!

The clouds are racing in a blue sky
The grass is rippling in the breeze
With a bound, I am sprinting away
I run past the hills and through the trees

The plains seem to stretch on and on Just blue sky and emerald, green fields I search for the majestic stallion I feel the ember and the power that it wields

The sunlight fills the beautiful, azure sky Heat shimmers dance; rising from the land I begin to feel a change, a tingling In my vanes, from the ember in my hand

The Sun

The Sun is shrouded In her wreaths of gold Her light shines through Her cloudy mantle fold

Her palace is the sky
Her home is a lofty high
There she winks her eye
To every cloud that passes by

She wills where she may
On a path through the day
And every eve with a sigh
Sinks below and says good bye

The Thunderer

I stand still among the blowing grasses
And north, the growing rumble passes
A thundering of hooves upon the plain
A cloud of dust rises, no wind can contain

Over the north rise the Thunderer appears A gray stallion followed closely by rain tears A furious storm follows fast upon his heels And hell, as lightning and thunder, peals

The stallion races, galloping over the land His mighty hooves leave prints in the sand His silvery mane whips in the shadowed light As he sprints to outrace the following storm

As I stand still among the blowing grasses I scarce see the silver shadow that passes But I feel and hear the fierce stallion's cry As the might, gray Thunderer passes by

There Is A World

There is a world unseen by man
Of fairies and dragons; princes and kings

There is a world we each create Where we imagine ourselves in strange things

There is a world I have heard
That man has yet to find; that man has yet to sing

This Sunset

The sunset
Vibrant, bright
Full of colors
Just before night
Deep red, violet purple
The colors fairly
Glow with beauty
This night, I say verily,
It is truly a wonderful
Sight

To Everything There Is A Season

To everything there is a season A time for every purpose under Heaven

A time to be born and a time to die A time to plant and a time to pluck what is planted

A time to kill and a time to heal A time to break down and a time to build up

A time to cast away stones and a time to gather stones A time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing

A time to gain and a time to lose A time to keep and a time to cast away

A time to tear and a time to sew A time to keep silence and a time to speak

A time of love and a time of hate A time of war and a time of peace

Untamed Land

They say that the west is untamed Maybe it's true as they say But where they may think there is no life There will always be one thing for sure A cloud of dust upon the plains Dark figures race across the land Running under the noonday sun Red, black, golden, and brown bodies Covered with sweat and dust Like streaks of color on the dusty plain Copper, dun, chestnut, and white All the colors that you could imagine Always moving on to another place; Whether the times are dry or wet. Oh, to see the sun shining on backs of The running horses are a glorious sight The life and color that follows them everywhere Adds life to the endless prairie plains

Waiting For The Snow

Waiting for the Snow
When the leaves turn golden
And the geese fly south
Where will I be?

When the wind turns cold And the bear is in hiding Where will I be?

When the streams are frozen And the rabbits' color turning Where will I be?

When the leaves begin to fall And the northern cardinals stay Where will I be?

When the nuts fall down And squirrels store walnuts Where will I be?

When the corn is harvested And the deer seek shelter Where will I be?

When the grass is brown And the pheasants are flying Where will I be?

I will be riding before the wind And winging t'ward the sun Flying from the snow

I will be waiting for spring And sleeping till then Hiding from the snow

I will be hiding till I'm white And searching the ground for food Waiting for the snow

I will be looking for berries And singing merrily Waiting for the snow

I will be saving acorns And jumping form tree to tree Waiting for the snow

I will be searching fields for corn And hiding in thickets Waiting for the snow

I will be hiding under grass And calling out loud Waiting for the snow

What Is Time

What is time that we use
It so often and carelessly?
Do we think we will get it back
With future so near, the past
So far away
Why can't we live in yesterday?

What Love Is

What is it that we're told?
That love is a feeling,
That love is something to hold,
That love is heart beating?

What is it that we're told? That love is what's right, That love burns hot, not cold, That love is passion in night?

What is it that we're told? That love is burning desire, That any can fit in the mold, That love is a raging fire?

Well, here is what it is, Love is a choice. Choosing to cherish And always to rejoice

When Spring Is Born

When spring is first born
And the green first shows
Do the clouds dance for joy
As the sun melts all the snows?

When the lilies first appear
And the trees first put out leaf
Does the cold, bitter wind of north
Feel, as it hides, the bitterness and grief?

But, oh, I know I feel Reborn with this light, With the first warm sunshine To chase away the cold night

Where The Sky Meets The Land

Where the sky meets the land Where the prairie grass grows The home of the wild mustang Is never far from those The mountains in the distance, Purple against the deep blue sky, Are a perfect backdropp to a life That is always on the move Great herds of buffalo move slowly Like big carpets of brown on green Flowers grow abundantly everywhere Among these things are the wild horses They move and live in herds And always move from place to place Streams are a way of life A gem of blue in a meadow Of emerald colored grass The sunsets are fiery red orange In the evening western sky The winter is covered in A great expanse of sparkling white The white snow flies in all directions As the horses travel across the long plains Their coats heavy with sweat Who can say that they can tame The very Wild West, The land of the mustangs

White Stallion

He leaps and bounds
Like none other
Full of splendor and grace
No other will achieve
The earth holds no limits
The sky no boundary
Leaping through the air
With such ease
Full of energy and spirit
Never slowing, never stopping
He is called the White Stallion

Wind

Silent it mutters Voiceless it utters Lonely it cries Wingless it flies

Through trees it stills But howls over hills Long it howls And low it growls

Roaming plain and grass Over waters it may pass Waking under moon And winging into rune

Trees it may toss
But grieves no loss
Ever it may be
But never to see

Young Royalty

Drawn around like Young royalty of long ago

With a smile and a wave For his loyal subjects

Eyes on the entire world around, Was my brother in his red wagon

Looking for all the world Like a young prince crowned