

Fresh Fish



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Thank you to the students of Class ESL0303-W34 (Speaking)

I enjoyed reading and listening to your poems - I hope this eBook will help you remember your time at university

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Poems written by my Chinese University Students as part of their homework. This is how the poems were submitted I have only done some basic editing and have made some minor corrections to the English.

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Bowen
Shi Bowen

Being At University, Say Bye To Hometown

Gently I left my hometown,
As gently as I come;
I wave gently
Say goodbye to my hometown.
The golden willows by the river,
Is the home shadow in the setting sun;
The shadows of the waves,
It ripples in my heart.
Grow? With my bag on my back,
To the depths of the dream;
A boat full of ideals,
Singing in the splendor of starlight.
But I can't be sad,
Quietness is my farewell music;
And the world is silent for me,
Silence is the moonlight tonight
Quietly I went away,
As I came quietly;
I wave my sleeves,
Not a cloud to take away.

Carrie
Kerun Chen

The first time in university

A painful high school is like a cage
The sudden graduation made me excited
Three months of vacation were filled with exhausting fun and confusion about the future
The first moment I stepped into the school gate
I knew that I would never be able to step into my home 2000km away whenever I felt homesick.
But the anticipation and happiness overwhelmed my mind
I didn't expect that I would be isolated the day after I arrived.
Long, long, it was a long wait.
I hadn't had a chance to see the school
I hadn't had a chance to walk all the way through the school
Luckily, the painful quarantine passed
Sleepy, hungry, cold
This is the norm in the classroom
Essays, speeches, poems
I never want to turn in an assignment until the last minute
Tennis, Frisbee, Skateboarding
They are filled with the joy of sweat
Beef in golden soup, Chicken with pork belly, and Cha Bai Dao
This is my last consolation
College, you came in such a hurry, you haven't had time to let me get used to it

Colleen
He Linjing

Old photographs

In my bedroom
In the deepest part of the house
There is a box full of old photos
A girl in a pretty dress
An old man sitting down
The wind blew the white clouds
At that time
Grandfather was still strong
The dog was very young
We have fun, year after year
Until I left you in junior high school
How did summer snow fall on Grandpa's head
Why can't Grandpa walk
Why did Grandpa go to the hospital
The wind cried and cried and turned into a rainstorm
Grandpa is old, and the dog can't run
I have grown up and learned to take care of you
Grandpa, I miss you
I can only look at the picture and miss you
An old photograph

Deborah
Li Wanzhi

The new start

With the sun shining
The flowers blooming,
Step to WKU, step to WKU
The new start, in university life.
Surrounding by the warm wind,
Have dreams for the future.

With the wishes from family members,
Carrying the blessing from friends,
Step into the door of WKU.
Make new friends, have a new life,
Start a new journey.
Everything is unfamiliar, but do not worry,
Everything goes fine.

Share my daily life with mum,
Sent beautiful clouds to my friend.
Surrounded by love,
Enjoy every day in WKU.
Wish everyone I care about is happy,
Miss friends far away,
Treasure friends around me.

Jack
Xu Shilang

A letter to my dear grandpa

Tonight I looked out the broken window,
I see the clear bright moon.
She scatters dim hazy light,
And the light kisses my heart soon.
When I was young, the star was golden.

Once my grandpa and I were sitting on the chair,
He told me beauty and hope belonged there.
I said I like the dazzling galaxy.
He told me I needed a huge wooden ladder,
Without which I can't fly in the air.

Life is like a hair-raising battleground,
The distance between me and my childhood is so long.
My grandpa's words always come to my heart,
A man should be brave even when life is full of clouds.
And difficulties won't made me a coward.

Oh, my dear grandpa,
Did you know I miss you a lot
I hope when I return home,
I can chat with you as usual,
And I can hear your bright and clear laugh.

Jersey
Xia Zeqi

New life in university

The new life begins in the university.
From the moment I enter it.
But I didn't know that at the time,
I think it as ever.
With the time goes,
I feel it different.
The classes are short, yet fine.
The projects are few, yet difficult.
The facilities are good, yet unfamiliar.
In the face of these,
I still escape from a new life.
But later, things are finally changing.
The weather is different, yet gentle.
The friendship is new, yet real.
The professor is unfamiliar, yet conscientious.
I own up to the fact.
The new life begins.
Yeah, why would I say no,
Why would I refuse.
The new life is in the university.

Joey
You Qiaoyi

A letter to my grandma

My grandma was a very bitter person
In an age of scarcity
She let all six children grow up
But got sick all over herself
My grandma, was a very optimistic person
Although she always met many difficulties
She always smiles forward
Not complaining about anything
My grandma, was a very kind person
She was genuine to everyone around her
Including a lot of strangers
But always wronged herself
My grandma, was a very hard-working person
She made everything with her own hands
Do it yourself, full of clothes
She always said this
She likes to see snow
But the very next year after I promised her
She passed away
On a snowy day

Kitty
Zhou Zhitong

Fresh fish

I'm a fish,
Swimming here, WKU
The pool is big
The water is deep
And here are many kinds of fish

Swim, swim
Every day I swim
From here to there
Meet different fish
And say "Hello"

Sometimes,
Always swim into the swamp
Stuck
Confused
And blank

Other fish swam over
Encourage me
We play together
Work together
And make plentiful adventures

I'm a fish
A positive and happy fish
Basking in the sunshine
Breathing the free air
Rushing forward and going far away

Ledger
Liu Jingwen

Being at university

First,
I came to university
Everything is new to me
New life is in front of me
So,
I was excited
But also,
It confused me
Because
There are many things to deal with myself
It is a big challenge for me
But,
After a period of study
I feel happy
Because,
College life is full of variety
This reassured me
Made me enjoy my college
Let's me have a broader version
To see how big the world is

Miku
Gao Junyan

Long Distance Love

How about long-distance love?
Let's think about that,
Two people who going to different universities,
And they're thousands of miles apart.
What will make them closely connected?

I'm resting when he's in class,
And I'm in class when he's off.
Intersecting schedules dispel a sense of companionship.
But I believe,
It can't break our love knot anyway.

After we come to the new school,
The phone was always as hot as our heart in the deep night.
Every call we make to each other,
And countless chat records we accumulated,
They're all proof of our love can overcome distance.

In my eyes,
Long-distance love is the collision of sea water and rocks,
The blooming of roses in April in the summer,
The new turbulence after the stimulation of possessiveness,
And the weight of two dreams when one bed overlaps with another.

Nicole
Li Qijiani

My lovely university

The sun is shining.
The bird is singing.
And I come into my university.
The weather here is hot.
The air here is wet.
And the environment here is beautiful.
The mountains here is green.
The river here is clear.
The sky here is blue.
And my friends here are lovely.
We have classes together.
We do homework together.
We eat lunch and dinner together.
We have meetings together.
My university let me meet these lovely friends.
My university let me know how to live by myself.
My university let me appreciate beautiful environment there.
My life here is colorful.
My life here is interesting.
And my university is lovely.

Oria
Guo Rui

GRANDMA AND GRANDPA

Sweet-scented Osmanthus
Takes me back to grandma
Fragrant in her October yard
Grandma, my grandma
I miss you so much

Watering the farm
Takes me back to grandpa
Farming on his land
Grandpa, my grandpa
I miss you very much

Eating a peach
Takes me back to grandma
Picking on the peach trees
Grandma, my grandma
I miss you so much

See the mountains in the distance
Takes me back to grandpa
Have fun in the forest
Grandpa, my grandpa
I miss you very much

Tom
Yukai Wang

Grandma's Vegetable Garden

Tomatoes
Red and round, sour and sweet
You used to use it
To make me smile

Cucumbers
Green and long, crisp and refreshing
You went ahead and planted it
I followed you and ate it.

Flowers
Yellow or white, light floral
The most beautiful scenery of my childhood
Just those flowers in the sun.

Grandma
Industrious and simple, gentle and kind
The one who help me grew up
The one who loves me the most in the world

And me
The little boy who used to run after you
Is thinking of you now
And planning to repay you in the future.

Zeppelin
Zheng Jiayi

You showed me two things in the world

Many years ago
My world was simple but full
I never thought the person I loved:
Would no longer be with me
Like I never thought
All the chords would no longer be beautiful
All the paintings would no longer be colorful

Years pass by
Your image is getting blurry in my mind
You always wait for us to come home
Too busy, too far
All meet only at the festival
“All the food you cook is grateful!”

You showed me two things in the world:
Death and love
You taught me that
Death is smaller than love
Love is greater than death

The sun robs you of your sleep that day
How did I wish I was dreaming awake?