Longing for love poems [1]

Dear Alice,

I have trouble meeting girls and I was wondering if you could give me some love poems.

from, a boy

Answer

Dear a boy,

How romantic to send, not to mention to receive, a love poem. Poems are a wonderful way to put feelings onto paper. The beauty of poetry is that there are no rules – prose rich in love can be heard in movies, television, and music, or read in poetry books or greeting cards. Of course, some of the most cherished love poems are those written by the sender. Perhaps someday you'll be inspired, by the right person or a special moment, to write your own poem. Below are a few favorites among published love prose to start you off:

Love's Philosophy
The fountains mingle with the river
And the rivers with the ocean,
The winds of heaven mix forever
With a sweet emotion;
Nothing in the world is single;
All things by a law divine
In one spirit meet and mingle (may also be translated as "in one another's being mingle")
Why not I with thine?

See the mountains kiss high heaven
And the waves clasp one another;
No sister-flower would be forgiven
If it disdained its brother,
And the sunlight clasps the earth
And the moonbeams kiss the sea:
What is all this sweet work worth
If thou kiss not me?

? Percy Bysshe Shelley

(Untitled)
The minute I heard my first love story
I started looking for you,
not knowing how blind that was.
Lovers don't finally meet somewhere.
They're in each other all along.

? Rumi

Other poets renowned for their expressions of love and romance through poetry include William Shakespeare, Lord Byron, Sor Juana Ines de la Cruz, and Walt Whitman, just to name a few. You may also check out other more recently famous poets such as Maya Angelou, Robert Frost, Audre Lorde, and Pablo Neruda. It's said that love is a global language, which may be why inspiring poetry can be found all around the world. Need help finding more? Try searching for "modern poetry," "romantic poems," or even "love letters" on the internet, which may help you in your pursuit of love.

If poems aren't your jam, lyrics from love songs and ballads may be another good source of inspiration. Singers and songwriters such as Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald, and The Beatles, may offer some swoon-worthy words. Want something a bit more modern? There are plenty of love song or ballad playlists already created for you in some music streaming services. Searching in your favorite genre? whether it be classical, pop, country, rap, or hip hop? may also help you discover new poetry in music you never knew existed!

Prose aside, there are other things you can do to meet a partner. You may want to try joining a new club or getting involved in activities that you enjoy. You don't need to go in with the sole motivation of finding that special someone, but you may find that it's easier to form bonds with people who share your interests and passions. For more ideas, check out Need help to start dating? and Finding a partner in the Go Ask Alice! archives. Sometimes love strikes when folks least expect it, but here's to having passionate prose in the back of your mind when it does!

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