

## I AM POETRY

### I AM

I am a carefree girl who loves horses.  
I wonder if there ever was a horse that could fly.  
I hear the stomping of a hundred mustangs on the desert in Arabia.  
I see a horse with golden wings soaring into the sunset.  
I want to ride swiftly over a green meadow.  
I am a carefree girl who loves horses.  
I pretend to be an Olympic jumper.  
I feel the sky pressing down on me as I ride along a sandy shore.  
I worry that I'll fall off and become paralyzed.  
I cry when a colt dies.  
I am a carefree girl who loves horses.  
I understand that I will not be able to ride every day of my life.  
I say, let all horses roam free.  
I dream about the day when I have a horse of my own.  
I try to be the best rider in the world.  
I hope to ride all my life.  
I am a carefree girl who loves horses.  
*--ELLY TATUM*

### I AM

I am a nutty guy who likes dolphins.  
I wonder what I, and the world, will be like in the year 2030.  
I hear silence pulsing in the middle of the night.  
I see a dolphin flying up to the sky.  
I want the adventure of life before it passes me by.  
I am a nutty guy who likes dolphins.  
I pretend that I'm the ruler of the world.  
I feel the weight of the world on my shoulders.  
I worry about the devastation of a nuclear holocaust.  
I cry for all the death and poverty in the world  
I am a nutty guy who likes dolphins.  
I understand the frustration of not being able to do something easily.  
I say that we are all equal.  
I dream of traveling to other points on the earth.  
I try to reach out to poor and starving children.  
I hope that mankind will be at peace and not die out.  
I am a nutty guy who likes dolphins.  
*--SANDY MAAS*

## **I AM--MODEL**

### **FIRST STANZA**

- I am (two special characteristics you have)
- I wonder (something you are actually curious about)
- I hear (an imaginary sound)
- I see (an imaginary sight)
- I want (an actual desire)
- I am (the first line of the poem repeated)

### **SECOND STANZA**

- I pretend (something you actually pretend to do)
- I feel (a feeling about something imaginary)
- I worry (something that really bothers you)
- I cry (something that makes you very sad)
- I am (the first line of the poem repeated)

### **THIRD STANZA**

- I understand (something you know is true)
- I say (something you believe in)
- I dream (something you actually dream about)
- I try (something you really make an effort about)
- I hope (something you actually hope for)
- I am (the first line of the poem repeated)

### **“I Am” Poem Rubric**

	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3/3+</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4+</b>
<b>Follows format provided</b>					
<b>Thoughts are extended</b>					
<b>Descriptive words are included</b>					
<b>Conventions</b>					