

## **Word Up Poetry 4 Teens**

### **Cool Salsa: Bilingual Poems on Growing Up Latino in the United States**

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*"A low-income prodigy child caught in the American crossfire."*

### **Foolish/Unfoolish: Reflections on Love**

782.4216 ASH 2002

*"When I look into your eyes/ I still get butterflies."*

### **Stopping for Death: Poems of Death & Loss**

808.81 DUF

*"They died because words they had spoken returned always homeless to them."*

### **Earth-Shattering Poems**

808.81 EAR

*"I came back from the funeral and crawled/ around the apartment, crying hard/ searching for my wife's hair."*

### **What Have You Lost**

808.81 NYE

*". . . And we become strangers in our own home."*

### **Pierced By a Ray of Sun: Poems About the Times We Feel Alone**

808.81 PIE

*"The one-armed boy/ has taught himself to play catch."*

### **Risking Everything: 110 Poems of Love and Revelation**

808.81 RIS 2003

*"Listen, are you breathing just a little, and calling it a life?"*

### **Ten Poems to Set You Free**

808.8104 HOU 2003

*These poems inspire you to claim the life that is truly yours.*

### **City of One: Young Writers Speak to the World**

810.8 CIT 2004

*"A little girl asks me if I speak Tarzan language."*

### **Teen Ink: Written in the Dirt**

810.8 TEE 2004

*A collection of short stories, poetry, art, & photography.*

**The World According to Dog...**

810.8036 WOR 2003

*"This is how it is with love./ Once invited,/ it steps in gently,/ circles twice,/ and takes up as much space/ as you will give it."*

**Shooting the Rat: Stories & Poems by Outstanding High School Writers**

810.8092 SHO

*Poems and stories about all the things teens think & write about..."I am an expert/ on the way your hair curls..."*

**You Remind Me of You: A Poetry Memoir**

811 COR

*"Now I'm wondering who let me near you in the first place, why no one noticed me careening towards you and pulled you out of harm's way for a talk."*

**Who Will Cry for the Little Boy?**

811 FIS 2003

*"In matters of the heart there seem to be only/ these two extremes for me, the day or the night,/ the sunshine or the rain. Pleasure or the pain."*

**19 Varieties of Gazelle: Poems of the Middle East**

811 NYE

*"I'm not interested in/ who suffered the most/ I'm interested in/ people getting over it."*

**The Spoken Word Revolution: Slam, Hip-Hop & the Poetry of a New Generation**

811 SPO 2003

*This volume brings to life the written and performed works of more than 40 of the most influential slam, hip hop, performance art and contemporary poets in the world today.*

**Bend, Don't Shatter: Poets on the Beginning of Desire**

811.008 BEN 2004

*"I wear Jim Morrison t-shirts/ spend my allowance on baseball cards/ and wish every night/ that when I wake/ I'll be looking down at a boy's body/ instead of mine."*

**Poetry 180: A Turning Back to Poetry**

811.008 POE 2003

*A dazzling new anthology of 180 contemporary poems, selected and introduced by America's former Poet Laureate, Billy Collins.*

**Red Hot Salsa: Bilingual Poems...**

811.008 RED

*"I'm a grafted flower that didn't/ take, a Mexican without being one,/ an American without feeling like one..."*

**Love: Selected Poems**

811.52 CUM

*"...my blood approves,/ and kisses are a far better fate/ than wisdom."*

**Slow Dance Heartbreak Blues**

811.54 ADO

*"You will live in a swamp of defeat and self-pity."*

**Aloud: Voices from the Nuyorican Poets Cafe**

811.54 ALO

*"And movie stars/ continue to take precedence/ over the homeless/ and politicians'/ personal lives/ continue/ to take precedence/ over justice."*

**Poems From Homeroom: A Writer's Place to Start**

811.54 APP

*"Poetry is the home for all my yearnings/ each poem a separate room/ where wandering words/ find a cool bed, a bowl of soup...."*

**Buried Alive: The Elements of Love**

811.54 FLE

*"After the beach/ your shoulder tastes salty..."*

**Hoofprints: Horse Poems**

811.54 HAA

*"She drives the continents apart./ She heats and wets and dries and cools the land,/ Makes winter, summer, rainfall, grass."*

**Laughing Out Loud I Fly: Poems in English and Spanish**

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*"Soy una caricatura de chango o un tamal chiloso, loco con parches remendados."*

**I Just Hope It's Lethal: Poems of Sadness, Madness & Joy**

811.54 IJU

*"To the Internet/ I am a screen name and a password,/ neither of which is My Name."*

**Listen Up! Spoken Word Poetry**

811.54 LIS

*"Piece by piece they shipped my body to this country."*

**The Inner City Mother Goose**

811.54 MER

*"Just for fun/ Plunge the knife/ And cut/ And run...."*

**My Own True Name**

811.54 MOR

*"I am embarrassed/ almost every day/ why people so mean...."*

**Movin': Teen Poets Take Voice**

811.54 MOV

*"They're gatherers of stories,/ picking up the spit of kings."*

**Here in Harlem: Poems in Many Voices**

811.54 MYE

*"I'd love to live on Sugar Hill/ Be as rich as I could be/ Then all the folks from down the way/ Would have to envy me/ I'd stick my hincty pinky out/ Put my hincty nose in the air/ Get a hincty chauffeur to drive my car/ And a white girl to do my hair."*

**A Maze Me: Poems for Girls**

811.54 NYE

*"A lady was quoted in the newspaper./ 'It is not so hard to feel wise./ Just think of something dumb you could say,/ then don't say it.'"*

**The Pain Tree & Other Teenage Angst-Ridden Poetry**

811.54 PAI

*"Can't you feel it?/ It hurts so bad!"*

**The Rose That Grew From Concrete**

811.54 SHA

*"I Hope I Die For A Principle/ or A Belief that I had Lived 4."*

**Slam**

811.54 SLA

*"I am different from you/ And it scares you."*

**The Way It is: New & Selected Poems**

811.54 STA

*"So, the world happens twice/ once what we see it as/ second it legends itself/ deep, the way it is."*

**Angst!: Teen Verses From the Edge!**

811.6 ANG

*"I want to scratch your eyes out with my fingernails,/ Or make you wish you were dead, if killing you fails."*

**Heart to Heart: New Poems Inspired by 20th Century American Art**

811.6 HEA

*"...he looked/ at me like I was crazy, scrambled to his feet & ran."*

**I Don't Want to Be Crazy**

811.6 SCH

*"I have resigned myself/ to the fact that I have gone insane."*