

Junior Division, Poetry (16-20 years)

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Youth

I have to grow up.

So, don't try to convince me

I can hold onto my childhood forever.

Because, at the end of the day

Every passing moment, is something I'll never get back.

It is astonishing that I once believed

Things change for the better.

Because, the reality is

As the years pass, so does my happiness.

I will always say, it is a lie that

Change is a good thing.

Change is inevitable and we can either fear it or embrace it.

Nothing is set in stone.

There is always another perspective

A way to read between the lines, or just completely read something backwards.

(Read poem from bottom to top)