

MAGIC APPLE POETRY SOCIETY Sept. 2013

(special thanks to our poet-in-residence, Abigail Irwin for submitting the Shel Silverstein poems) Note: Students memorizing poems (gr. 2-3 1 poem, 4-6 2 poems) may join us for a field trip to the movies in October (to be arranged)

“Listen to the mustn'ts, child. Listen to the don'ts. Listen to the shouldn'ts, the impossibles, the won'ts. Listen to the never haves, then listen close to me... Anything can happen, child. Anything can be.” — **Shel Silverstein**

There is a voice inside of you
That whispers all day long,
"I feel this is right for me,
I know that this is wrong."
No teacher, preacher, parent, friend
Or wise man can decide
What's right for you--just listen to
The voice that speaks inside.” — **Shel Silverstein**

“The bridge will only take you halfway there, to those mysterious lands you long to see. Through gypsy camps and swirling Arab fair, and moonlit woods where unicorns run free. So come and walk awhile with me and share the twisting trails and wondrous worlds I've known. But this bridge will only take you halfway there. The last few steps you have to take alone.” — **Shel Silverstein**

Dreams by Langston Hughes
Hold fast to dreams
For if dreams die
Life is a broken-winged bird that cannot fly

Hold fast to dreams
For when dreams go
Life is a barren field
Frozen with the snow.