Every day a poem My response through dark and light The baring of my soul

A year of my thoughts

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Introduction

On four December 2023, I asked myself "what is the next step?" And then this thought popped up "write a poem every day for a year".

So, when that sentence came to me, I saw it as a chance to make time for what is important to me. During the year of 2024 I dedicated my time to write a poem every single day. Through days of joy and grief, even when I was sick. It began as a personal challenge, but after a couple of months I contemplated the thought of making my own book out of this.

In this book you will find my raw thoughts and emotions. Some poems came from a dark place where tears kept rolling down my face. Others are messages that I want to give to you. Joy, gratefulness and laughter will inevitably shine throughout the pages. For life is a never ending journey with all emotions present within it.

Thank you, for reading and giving me an opportunity for sharing my passion with you. Please forget any poem that does not feel right for you. I am grateful for all the animals, people and things that gave me inspiration. Dear Kevin, I sincerely appreciate you for all the time you put in reading and correcting the grammar.

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I saw the rainbow today It was only visible, in the one dark cloud that was left Upon a sky full of blue The sun, the sun was shining beautifully

It looked like a message See the beauty in the darkness to feel the brightness I took a mental picture and saved it in my head One day I may pull it back

Thank you universe For this experience

I lose my sight When I am not aware In the moment it feels so right

I am now at a place Where I can stop the spell Before it is completed

I guess it takes practice Like today The fog was back It became a mess

I can do better So for now I rest Let tomorrow Be another test

A night so bright Every star shows it all As I stand in the field Watching the light That carries me To serenity

I do not think
I do not move
I am here
As the light flows through

I am steady Grounded and loved That, I picked up From the night I stood still And looked not in front But watched above

I have dreams of my own
It starts with a warm and lovely home
I try so hard to create it
But I cannot reach
The beauty where I can sit
And unleash

I need help
But no one sees
What this place needs
I cannot convince them
So I rot here like the fruit on the table

Step up and stand tall
Oh baby you can do it all
You don't need them
See the creator in you
And the flow will come through

That's what I said Now I need to act Make a dream come true And go on With the next

I was looking at some colours And it made me think Why so many names For a tint

I know we love to name Everything But I stood in shock What a world we life in

So I choose the colour green Not olive, cucumber or pepper Frog, forest or fucking whatever Emerald is my go-to

Does it help? You know
To name a colour tint
I guess I saw something familiar
And the name helped me
To clear up and acquire
Paint on the wall to admire

My grandfather used to say Child let me tell you one thing Travel the oceans as far as you can See the world and the beauty within Every land has its gem Experience them

Here I am at thirty-two
Did not put his wisdom into play
Broke as can be
And a dog who cannot stay without me
But the urge is there

I want to go on a journey Travel and meet new people Walk into nature beyond my dreams I want to tell myself I saw the wonders of earth

I do not travel far
Just my home and the garden
His words linger in my ear
But Grandpa I found it in the common

The birds that visit me everyday
The bees, trees, ants and plants
I can see, I experience
The wonders of the world from here

You took it big I take it small Thank you for your wisdom You don't have to travel far If you can see it in all

Did I get it right
That I can visualize light as white
Like the blood in our veins
I see it flow
Sending it to the place
Where love needs to be
So it can heal

Did I get it right
Is this how it works
I feel like it helps
Is it like a little comfort
Or is it more like it could save lives

Did I get it right
Any effort is noticed
And I could tap into the pool
So we can help as a collective

You don't want to communicate But it's inevitable We can't quit So let's change energy Like an outfit

I will keep going on Being the voice For my child But I promise from now on To bring it more kind So you will have space To listen without judgement

Dress up
As bright as we can
No make-up
Just be you that's the plan
Speak from your heart
So our interaction is true from the start

Clear the air So we can be ready To share care

Blue sky Cold nose No leaves Frozen water Breeze

Don't complain
Every season has its flow
I enjoy this day's frame
Because I know
Tomorrow is not the same

It is minus four
Feels like minus twelve
I love to be outdoors
Where the sun's warmth
Combines with the ice cold itself
Feeling the duality
Happily

Do you absorb the negative Does it stay in your head Are you sensitive For something someone says

Can you still see the positive And feel the energy Of a dream you live Mentally

You can simply know When you're out of balance Like feeling low Down and depressed Eating to much sugar Because you feel such a mess

Just think of one thing That feels good to you Really embrace it How does that feel Go on lovely Go on with the next

You are in the flow Let's try a new glow Are you are ready to go Positive energy creates The life you want to embrace The universe will show

Leave me alone
My tears are falling
I force my mind to go
So I can focus on the tone

I asked the universe Please stay here to converse And I thank you dear For the love I feel appear

Slowly I calm down and visualize Sitting on a beach lounge Watching sunset or floating in the water In awe of the night sky colour

This is my ritual
My way of nourish
To remember the jewel
And recon I was amiss

I am ready to leave my room Facing the world with brightness Had a moment of doom But now I continue to give loving-kindness

I had finished my search Thought I knew for sure That this was the end

Till a lot came knocking at my door New things to think about I need to make decisions for sure

Swimming in the pool of lessons that are present Choosing the assignments And meditate on its content

I feel like I am opening the toy storage doors I need to give all this information a new place It takes time to clear my head space

I see the light and I am so proud Without negative emotion I sorted it all out

Not to judge Just laugh No grudge I like my voyage

I need to believe That your thoughts Won't affect me

I manifest without your help We both aren't on the same line So it won't work if I depend

I need to stop influencing you Because it may not be part of your story too Now I let the flow through

I create for us the life we want As long as it's my goal You can say it is a miracle

I will know And smile back at you I won't tell you so

It took some time
But now the job is done
It feels like the end of a climb
Empty and clear
Is it here

I'm excited for the future This place will be an inspiration Where I create The life I wish to taste

Now stay with me Bright strong colours Our treasures in sight Still room to dance And energy providing us To be more advanced

I love what's in my head I can tell you many times, lad That it is already here I don't care that you can't see it near

You can wait and see I made a head start Because I already believe What only matters is the love The love we feel so dear

The day started with thunder Hail and snow Later on, sunny and blue Gray clouds wonder Every time I looked outside The weather transformed With her

While I hear people complaining I can't stop appraising I love seeing the universe creating It seems like I saw it all at once Unfolding

You may think you're funny, boy But I see through you You think people see joy But they are irritated We all see a different decoy

I am here, you're save Act as you want but I will not let you drown I'll give you the positive encouragement you crave You may not notice it straight away

Behind all that act
I know there is hurt
So it doesn't matter what play you give me
I will not be burnt

I can only be love So you would receive what you need But it is not up to me To teach

I do not hope or wish Let the situation switch If you genuinely want to stop acting As a bitch

I am grateful to be at the other side But now I feel it doubles inside I see it happening in front of my eyes

I'm so happy when it doesn't hit me But when I am out of alignment It's a lot to carry

I love to notice Because it just shows me where I can improve Another step to optimize my life

Ego will collide with light And when I am ready to drop it Ego will not survive the bright

There is help from all sides
I am stretching out as far as I can
To the love and wisdom guides

They help me with my life
So I can create and illuminate
Following the plan that's my strive

Why do you fight
If you just let go
There would not be a problem
You took his food
For you to show your dominance

I will not stand by Feeding your ego So I let you know Don't ever react this way to my child Be gone with your pride

I'll stand in front of you Burning a hole in your heart With the light by my side

You choose your own path
But don't involve my boy
My ego is ready to bite off your head
Jumping with fists
This is what a mama bear is

Standing on the edge Holding on with all my strength To the silver string I can So I won't attack you Like a caveman

I have a different view I see you carry all this pain And the shadow you are going through I am here for you

Am I making the right choice To reach you on your level I want to remind you of the joys

I know that this is not your path
I can give you pure light
That would not be
An infringement on our believes, right

Because girl I just want you to be happy Free from the past I listen to you today And keep sending love your way

I wish, one day you could see it through my eyes So this day would not be so tragic But a celebration of life and rebirth Because I believe he is smiling in the skies And helping you to heal and rise

I feel
Yeah, I feel a lot
A lot of rubbish
Ready to throw it away with a slingshot

So I focus
On the feelings that make me happy
My eyes are searching for objects
And my mind is racing
My whole body will notice

Alarm bells are ringing Found something appealing So I sit down And close my eyes I'll explore and energize

I like the feeling that I feel Right now, to see and believe That everything comes my way For real

Because it is
There is no other way
What I feel within
Is more important
Than anything

I dragged myself out of the quicksand Because I do not want to be in there I want to live the life I've planned I have so much to create and share And to experience at first hand

It's clean
With a hint of paint
A dashing wall
And the rest to create

I can hear the echo of your laugh And your feet bouncing so hard Still need to place the photograph From us by the yard

It feels like a new start With fresh energy We live in this home for a decade But something changed suddenly

Is it me or you Would it be our home I see things that I never saw Some kind of spell roams

Whatever will happen in the future I don't care because this blessing Unlocked my horizon I follow this spark And let tomorrow's worries park

This sensation is a gift My whole sight shifts I am certain that our home Would reflect love so swiftly As we go on

Did I push too far
Or is this a permission slip
Because I don't want to be negative
Just clearing my heart from things
That doesn't belong there

Why am I still falling back
Wish you could punch me in my head
Every time I slip a little bit
Let the impact be so massive
That I couldn't miss it

I loved the obstacles That were present today Because it gave me a chance To do better right away

I can do it on my own Rewire my brain I keep practicing to the bone Getting better every day

And then boom!
The miracles starting to roll my way
I have so much energy
Oh god I am so happy
I love every day

The morning has arrived A flock of birds sing This joyful welcome Feels like spring

It's all grey and white Through my sight But I feel the opposite Inside

Trying to fix the wire From my eyes to my emotions Something does not seem right Which skills do I need to acquire

I am singing with you Sharing my happiness My eyes are telling me That this place is a freaking mess

It is hard to focus on my heart When out there falls apart Please tell me how to colour the space Because I will go all out and sparkle it with grace

I feel like
Every catalyst collapsed on me
I am screaming for help
What do I need to do
I just want to flee
Start over somewhere new

You seem scared
Just know
I am not the wolf barring her teeth
There is no drool on my mouth
Only desperate tears
Universe please

Shouting my prayer
Only hear, where is the love
I just wish I could see another way here

My heart is love And my intentions Want to resolve How did we end up like this

I need to breathe Let's separate May we one day cooperate Now we need to regenerate

Full moon
A new phase
High water
Emotions amplified
Time to celebrate
Moments of joy
Stand in your power
Be the light
Meditate
Give up control

When your hands touch my skin I sense the love you send From within

The warmth of the oil Relaxes my muscles And my mind stops thinking

We are in a bubble Fully in the moment All that is there Two souls combining Strengthen each others life force We are back to source

I love what I see These improvements Are joy to me I appreciate and adore That amplifies my excitement To transform more

When I took the time
To discover what I wish to see
I was ecstatic
With the beauty that came to me

Now I see those things come alive Oh man, I am the happiest I thrive

A little glass bowl With tiny edible titbits Colour and tasteful On the table

A beam of sunlight Reflects the glass So when I enter the room I see what I like the most Sweets on display to consume

It's my centerpiece My mood switch A reminder to value Even the tiny bits

And when I eat such a delight My heart warm with love Tune inside

Can you imagine
How amazing my life can be
If I appreciate like this
With all that I see

So many cars
Tried to hit me
But miss
Still have no scars

I was on my bicycle They were looking at their phone Classical Almost dead Multiple times today Please look at the road instead

I know you're a shitty man But I don't wish to be The next Jane Doe I don't like your plan

I dodge like walking around toys I am someone's mum Ponder your choices Which alarm will I become

This is the end of an era
The doors are open
So choose where you want to be
Here on Gaia

Let's drop the ego dead Come on, walk naked through the door So you can be in a place Where you can finally take a breath

Oh can't you see That it's already in you Everything to be Like an Acacia tree

So make a dash Because you're more worth Than your ego mind Know who you truly are in a flash

I like to sleep more Let my mind rest Follow my dreams Explore

I like to meditate more Surrounded by my inherited crystals Only hearing the birds Grounded to the earth as before

I like to do allot of things more Trying to stop myself from making excuses Habits can change Just doing the things I adore

February 1

There was once a baby magpie Who grew up in my garden Now he can fly And everyday he comes by

He always screamed at his parents at feeding time Little guy is now older, and I can't call him a baby no longer So I decided to call him Echo Currently he has the same size as the other magpies

I feel connected to these birds From the day that I met him The way they interact with others So lovely to see their connection

When my son sees a magpie He thinks it is Echo Shouts his name and says hi

Dear Echo I'm amazed by you and your kind Thank you for all that you are I love you fellow