

In 1976, I taught my first poetry-in-the-schools residency, which took place at Southdale Elementary School in Cedar Falls, Iowa. For one activity, the students came up with extreme ideas for writing poems. I was taken by their suggestions and inspired to illustrate some of them. All of the student poetry-writing suggestions here – and others – can be found in my book, *The Adventures of Dr Alphabet: 104 Unusual Ways to Write Poetry in the Classroom and the Community*.

–Dave Morice

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