

# A Care-Free World



Emma Cassedy was one of three students selected to attend the Young Writers Conference. The students talked to six authors about their work and how they had their work published. The authors listened to the students read their works. Emma's poem was selected to be published in a poetry anthology this year.

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I swim deeper and deeper  
then suddenly jump.  
The air is salty, but I don't mind.  
I go back under, to  
my world, where time  
runs wild, and go deeper  
and deeper still.  
Until I touch  
the bottom and see  
my school swimming by,  
but I ignore them  
and find my friend,  
a bottle-nose dolphin,  
like me, named Uni  
and I am Basil  
who looks like pewter, a  
silvery blue-gray, and  
I roam the sea, forever.