

Four metaphor poems

Devotion

by Olivia, eighth grade poet

Devotion is a book
It will always be there to help you to
Escape your day and
Comfort you

Devotion is a guide dog
It stays by your side and
Helps you through the blind spots in life

Devotion is the ocean
Even if it slips away, when you need it
It will ride the wave back in

Devotion is a tree, strong and sturdy
It stands by your side
Rooted



Greed

by Mikayla, eighth grade poet

Greed
Is a pillow
It's comfortable to lay
your head on, but after time
it loses its fluff.

Greed
Is a vacuum
It eventually sucks up
all the fun out of life.

Greed
is an ocean, it can
pull you under and
make you drown.

Greed
Is a ball, it bounces
back and hits you in the face.



Achievement

by Tyler, eighth grade poet

Achievement is a bed
Warm and comforting
After a hard day's work

Achievement is a magnet
It sticks with you
And makes you feel good
After a hard day's work

Achievement is a loaf of bread
It fills you up and goes
Perfect with a meal
After a hard day's work

Achievement is a blanket
It surrounds you
Covers you
And makes you feel safe
After a hard day's work



These three eighth grade poets focused on **idea development** and **word choice** as they took their poems through the writing process. Read the poems, and then talk with a partner about where you see each poet's best example of idea development and word choice.

These examples were found on-line at <http://writingfix.com>