

Write On! 2020

Let's Explore

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*Once I heard a grumbling two
Who said, "There's nothing here to do!"
Shocked, I turned and cried, "Not true!"
"There are so many things for you."*

Why, outside...



Sit and think in forest glade

Where peace and silence reign supreme.

Play hide-and-seek in leafy shade

As ancient anthems ever ring—

Come on, let's explore!

But if you seek adventure...

In the woods I found a cave.

Follow me, I'll show the way!

Just you and I (for we are brave!)

And Mom says we can spend the day—

Come on, let's explore!

You could even play pretend...

Come on, mate, let's sail the seas!

And set our course by star or map.

We two will go where'er we please

(But when it's lunchtime, we'll be back)—

Come on, let's explore!



Of course, there's always the Great Indoors as well...

Open up another world

On pages stamped with black-and-white

Of kings and peasants, queens and earls

And knights in armour ever bright—

Come on, let's explore!

Who says school is boring?

Come, friend, let's explore the past!

In our history books we'll see

Real places, people, and the rest...

Wow! They seem a lot like me—

Come on, let's explore!

And on a rainy day...

Let's go to the attic dreary

Full of memories that will last...

Let in rays of light so cheery;

Think of good times from the past—

Come on, let's explore!



But on a clear night...

Let's sit and watch the stars tonight

I brought my telescope.

We've got a tent, some s'mores, a light;

What fun we'll have (I hope)—

Come on, let's explore!

My young friends chose to take my advice

And explored both outside and in...

It seems in their question the answer lies,

Which they ask their friends and kin:

How are YOU going to explore?

