

**Shandong Experimental High School**  
**Jinan, China**  
**14 POEM FINALISTS**

1.

**To Martin Luther King, Jr.**

By: Tian, Ziqian, Class12 Grade 11  
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Hand in hand,  
People gather here.  
Disperse the mist,  
Lights are shining in the night air.  
Justice and peace are like stars,  
Maybe you don't always see them,  
But you know they're always there.

2.

**HIS SOUL FORCE**

By: Han, Zihe, Class 23, Grade 10  
Shandong Experimental High School

When life does not seem to be fair  
His soul force raises me up from despair  
When the world darkens with hatred and tears  
His calling leads me  
To march forward without fear

3.

**A Bright Star**

By: Zhang, Yue, Class12 Grade11  
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Sometimes we see  
a star in our sky  
Shining bright  
Sometimes we hope  
A star in dreams  
Will bring us freedom  
Equal to the light  
Dr. King is the star  
Who has ended our darkness;  
Who twinkles in our night

4.

**Color**

By: Xu, Ruoyu, Class 37, Grade 10  
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God is a painter  
Nature is his picture  
Green grass, yellow sands, red flowers  
White Europeans, yellow Asians, black Africans  
Colorful men live in colorful world  
Friendly, equally  
And nothing can break us up.

4.

**To Dreams**

By: Yang, Yuxuan, Class 32 Grade 10  
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Dreams rushed out of the cage  
Faith flew into the beating heart  
Deep inside you can find a valley  
Where stands an immortal soul  
Where the song of freedom echoes

6.

**Freedom**

By: Yimiao Wang, Class 18 Grade 10  
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When the world is black and white  
When walls are built in between  
someone breaks the silence  
He said, "I have a dream."  
Equity ringing still  
Wherever we've been  
Long live the freedom  
And highest esteem

7.

**Seasons**

By: Zhang, Xiaoyu, Class 23, Grade 10  
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A rough piece of rock  
Rippled the surface of the dirty water  
A warm drip of blood  
Moistened the petals of the white rose  
God sent thee in chilly November  
Yet, thou paved us the way to sunny July.

8.

**Luminescence**

By: Lu, Zeyuan, Class 23, Grade 10  
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Montgomery Bus Boycott,  
A spark of ravaging withered forest.  
Revolution broke out led by the king of freedom.  
The discriminated were struggling,  
In the last raging storm.  
No dream with persistence will not come true.

9.

**Colored Pens Valid to Color Our World**

By: Hou, Shutong, Class 23, Grade 10  
Shandong Experimental High School

With hardness of pursuit for peace,  
Conveying infinite lenience for diversity—  
Equally dispersed to each people;  
Via a valuable free pen of ideology,  
He makes colors free to color the space out of  
black-white democracy.

10.

**PEACE AMONG NATIONS**

I dream of a place  
Where racial hatred has no space  
And we won't need a plane to get there  
Brothers, Sisters holding hands  
All races, all lands  
It is called Peace Among Nations

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11.

**The Same Dream**

By: Ran, Xinping, Class 24, Grade 10,  
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On the sky,  
clouds of different shapes  
freely float;  
In the ocean,  
fish of different kinds  
naughtily spit bubbles;  
On the ground,  
kids of different colors  
have the same dream.

12.

**Night and Stars**

By: Huang, Tianshu, Class 24, Grade 10  
Shandong Experimental High School

You stood out, righteous,  
Against racial discrimination  
To give people freedom and peace  
Riding in the dark of night  
To find the brightness of stars  
That will illuminate the whole sky

13.

**WE HAVE A DREAM**

Liu Xinyuan (Katherine Liu)  
Grade 10, Class 24

Equality, freedom and democracy,  
Years ago, he had an immortal dream.  
Guns, tortures and insults,  
When can we truly find peace?  
It takes only one more person,  
To inflame our dream!