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### Tuesday Morning

One Tuesday morning, two years ago today, I woke up to any regular day.

I went to church to altar serve when our priest released the news.

Our country had been bombed, by men on our very own planes.

They crashed into our buildings and killed

I was unable to understand or comprehend, all I knew was the look on my mother's face was one of great shame.

At school there was an air of fear, an air of hate, an air of pain and sorrow.

I do not think I was the only one not able to understand, no one could, not anyone on American land.

One thing I had to ask myself.

Would I myself take a stand?

If I were at Ground Zero that day, would I help others in need or would I run, run away for myself and forget about peace?

I am not able to answer my question, a simple one at that.

I ask you to answer that question yourself.

So that when a tragic day might strike you by surprise, you will be ready.

To stand up for peace and liberty and not run away like so many did that tragic Tuesday morning.

-Lauren, 8th grade

## Peace

What do you think of when you hear the word peace?

Peace is a big word.

When people think of peace,  
they think of forgiveness.

September 11 was a horrible day,  
Many people dying and many people crying.  
That day the Twin Towers fell,  
Everyone had changed on that day.

After this attack I realized to take it a day a time.  
Many families lost their husbands, wives, and children.  
I need to appreciate mine.  
My family, my friends, and all my loved ones.  
I needed to appreciate them and be grateful for what I have.

Since the attacks, my whole spirit has changed.  
I try to be kind, loyal, and one of a kind.  
I love those around me all different kinds.  
I always remember to the big word in my head, peace.

-Samantha, 8th grade

## Peace is the Word

When people think of togetherness,  
they think of the word peace.  
When people think of forever ness,  
they think the word peace.

On September 11, 2003 a very tragic thing happened.  
It was a day when the Twin Towers fell.  
It was a day when "the world stopped turning."  
Everyone was devastated.

A few weeks later, a country song played in the radio.  
It was about the attack.  
It made me realize and understand many things that happened that day.  
That day changed the whole world.

When you remember that day, think of the people that were involved in that crash,  
and remember the firefighters that risked their lives to save the people in the buildings.

Because of that day...  
When I think of togetherness,  
I think of the word peace.  
When I think of forever ness,  
I think of the word Peace.  
Jackie--8th Grade

### The Golden Rule

We talk about peace with our friends  
And think about it when we are alone.  
But how can we make peace in the world  
When we can't even make peace in our homes?  
To love our friends and our family  
Is something we should all try.  
We need to be kind and think good thoughts.  
Peace isn't something you can just buy.  
To love your neighbor as yourself  
Is the golden rule.  
So be loving, generous and helpful  
To neighbors at home and at school.  
If you want to achieve world peace  
You heard it here and now  
Be kind to your family and your friends  
Yes, if you want peace, this is how.

Maggie--8th grade

### The Peace Inside You

If you search way down low inside you  
You'll come to know how war can divide you.  
Nothing you do can make you feel ok  
when war is around you in every way.

If you cease the search within, if you stop to think,  
everything you know and love will fall right off the brink.

So don't give up on peace just yet  
because of this we still don't fret.  
We must bring peace throughout the world,  
or to the bone will chill with cold.

Never give up and don't surrender,  
or peace will be gone forever.  
And nothing will remind you of  
the peace you have, the peace you love.

Drew --8th grade

**\*\*Peace\*\***

Peace makes me happy inside  
Peace is something kind  
Peace is very cool  
Peace is hip and happening  
Peace is Justice  
Peace is love  
Peace is harmony  
Peace is trust  
Peace is happy with others  
Peace is in church  
Peace is a blessing  
Peace is important  
Alyssa--8th grade

Peace

Peace is something that is deserved,  
It does not have to be earned.  
Peace is needed around the world.  
Peace is more than just a word.  
Peace is a state of mind.  
It is not very hard to find.  
All you need to do is think,  
Smile and wink.  
Everyone needs peace you know.  
Just look around, doesn't it show?  
Our world is full of anger and hate.  
If everyone works together, our world can be great!  
Katie --8th grade

Why Can't Hate be Peace  
WHY CAN'T HATE BE PEACE  
WE HAVE ENOUGH HATE  
SO WHY CAN'T HATE BE PEACE  
WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH PEACE  
SO WHY CAN'T HATE BE PEACE  
HATE IS ALL OVER  
SO WHY CAN'T HATE BE PEACE  
PEACE IS DOWN UNDER  
SO WHY CAN'T HATE BE PEACE  
HATE IS A WORLDWIDE ISSUE  
SO WHY CAN'T HATE BE PEACE  
PEACE IS A WORLDWIDE SEARCH  
SO WHY CAN'T HATE BE PEACE  
Blake--8th grade

Peace  
Peace Peace Peace

Peace is love, friendship, and harmony.  
Peace is always the answer,  
We need Peace in our world.  
Peace Peace Peace,

That is what we needed on September 11th.  
Peace is what the world needs,  
Peace makes the world a better place  
Peace Peace Peace,

A dove represents peace.  
Peace is forgiveness,  
Peace means a great deal to me.  
By: Claire 8th grade

Peace  
We need more peace in the world,  
So people can comfort one another,  
In their time of pain,  
We need more peace in the world,  
So the world could be safer.  
We need more peace in the world,  
So there would be less fighting.  
We need more peace in the world,  
So the world could be better.  
That is why we need peace in the world.  
By: Sean--8th grade

\*Peace Poem\*

Peace is a river flowing gently through a quiet forest.  
Peace is a birdsong with a new rising sun.  
Peace is a tree, swaying in the crisp morning breeze.  
Peace is a child sleeping peacefully in bed.  
Peace is a soft pillow where you rest your head  
Peace is a quiet church with people in prayer  
Peace is a world where push never comes to shove  
Peace is two doves connected in love  
Peace is a silent marriage ceremony  
Peace is a world in perfect harmony

Austin 7th grade

Peace...

Peace is a right,  
    It's deserved all.  
Peace is a right,  
    For the short and the tall.

Peace is a story,  
    On which everyone can relate  
Peace is a story,  
    One's destiny... one's fate.

Peace is a mystery,  
    Not everyone knows  
Peace is a mystery,  
    But it sometimes shows.

Peace is coming,  
    I'm giving a clue.  
Peace is coming,  
    Now let it start with you.

Philip 7th grade

### THE FACTS ABOUT PEACE

The fact about peace is that it will never happen no matter what you write or what anybody does. No one person can change everybody's mind of peace and war. Although there is one way to spread peace and that's with you. You alone can make a difference in the world no matter how small of a contribution or how big, you could make a difference in the world.

Mark 7th grade

## Peace

Peace is . . .

Everlasting joy  
A place and time with no hate  
Complete happiness and harmony  
Every day should have peace.  
Katie 7th grade

## Peace Poem!

Peace,  
that's what we need.  
It feels like we have been on speed.  
Today was the day that the world stopped turning,  
buildings crumbled and air planes burning.  
Is this all right,  
where did we go wrong?  
where is the peace we need?  
If we did more good deeds,  
maybe people would come around,  
we wouldn't have wars,  
no bugle needs to sound.  
If we would find Bin Ladin,  
and his friend Saddam,  
the White House would be safe again,  
No more looking for bombs.  
All we need is peace,  
but when will we find it?  
Lauren 7th grade

## PEACE?!

Peace, many words conjoined in one,  
Peace is the love for one another,  
The love shown for one another,  
On 9\11\01 that peace was shattered,  
Into so many pieces , the tears, the hope,  
the heroes, the devotion, these are all signs shown,

WHEN PEACE IS IN THE AIR

Cory 7th grade

Peace  
Peace is no wars or killing or robbing  
Peace is quiet yet loud  
Peace is fragile yet it is strong  
Peace is no chaos or confusion  
Peace is walking all night long  
without fear or dread  
Peace is not being afraid  
to suddenly be dead  
Peace is like a one-of-a-kind glass cup  
It is fragile but beautiful  
And it is precious  
But it is easily broken  
and if we do break it  
it is gone  
FOREVER  
Russel 7th grade

### Words You Must Hear

Freedom and honor is what our country is?  
Right, who would want to destroy the beauty of our country,  
On September 11, I cried watching the two towers fall  
Hatred and anger I felt, no sorrow, no sympathy.

Let freedom ring once said by a great leader.  
In my heart I wish I could take away all the pain in the world.  
Someday there will be freedom ringing across every country.  
Peace is what the world wants  
Peace is what everyone wants.

Together as family,  
Together as a nation,  
Together as country  
We will find a way to find freedom and peace  
As together as one.  
Danielle 8th grade

## Peace Isn't Just a Word

I turned on the news a few days ago,  
I said, "Let's see what's new today,"  
And what I saw almost made me gag,  
I turned it off and walked away.

It's sickening to watch it,  
everyone fighting for food,  
But I realize that some people don't have much,  
If they get some, they have to be rude.

I know that we're at war right now,  
I know that people die,  
I know that loved ones won't come back,  
I know that people wonder, "Why?"

I know some people that would say  
"Peace is just a word,  
If God had any ears to use,  
He'd just refuse to hear."

But I know some other people,  
Who still have some faith left,  
Who still pray at church or shrine,  
And say, "God is with us all,  
And hope will still be mine."

Margaret 7th grade

# PEACE is the Solution to this World

On September 11, 2001, the terrorists thought  
Their horrible attack on the two World Trade  
Centers and on the Pentagon would change  
America forever. Well, they succeeded. We  
The people of the United States have grown  
To be more loving, caring, thankful, and  
Helpful than ever before.

However, there is a war going on in the  
Middle East, where people are  
Killed everyday. War is not the solution to  
This world, peace is. Innocent people are  
Dying for no reason. The US has signed  
peace treaties with other countries,  
Why can't we do the same with Iraq.

The war involves violence that is influencing  
The films in the movie theater and video  
Games. Then children are getting influenced by  
Hardcore combat and leads them to a horrible  
Path. There is a violent chain and we need to  
Stop it today. That is why PEACE is the  
Solution to this world. It would be a better place

Frank 8th grade

