

Pencil: Ticonderoga

The typical Ticonderoga;

Yellow and green in nature; hexagonal in stature, wood in structure;

The people's number one choice, universally used.

Although not universally appreciated;

They write our letters and do our math;

They jot down notes when there's little time to spare.

We sacrifice their lives every day;

Whether for our expression or overdue math homework.

However, no matter the use, the pencil is such a great tool;

So reliable and easy to use, with no mechanics or fancy plastic;

Just a trustworthy, yellow-painted marvel.

I myself, like so many others, don't appreciate the pencil enough;

We take them for granted and use them so much.

Yet most times we lose them, not giving enough care;

They are misplaced or forgotten without a thought.



We drop them to the floor, leave them in a bag, or break them in half;

They roll under a bench to rest against the trim;

And remain untouched, unseen, for almost a year.

We find ourselves searching for the tool;

And they always reappear;

But do we really deserve them?

Think about the treatment you give things,

Whether small or large, there is value in all.

Give your pencil some care.

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