

Trails, water, nature  
Birds singing, bees buzz around  
A symphony treat  
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The beautiful sun  
Colorful, but it's blinding  
Yet, we choose to stare  
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The trees kindly sway  
They creak and groan with delight  
Their shadows dancing  
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Sunrise through pine trees,  
Morning's light bursting through groves,  
A kaleidoscope  
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As the seasons change,  
A new life blossoms ahead,  
And change everything  
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Birds flying above  
Whistling their unique tune  
Flying far away  
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Granddaughters sparkle  
Like twin pearls in an oyster.  
No! Pearls sit. They fly.  
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Turtles, tortoises  
diving, splashing, and swimming  
in the cool water.  
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Cold temperatures,  
icy winds stinging. Watching  
for his sister, Spring.  
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Snow clings to my feet  
Tree branches cut open skies  
Only footprints left.  
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As the wind whispers,  
The flowers dance gracefully,  
To nature's love song.  
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Grass waving in wind,  
Trees swaying in angry wind.  
Nature finds balance.  
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Trees still with no wind  
as they gazed in awe,  
the river runs around the bend.  
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Silent nature night  
No insects buzzing about  
Only a dark sky  
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Trees reach for heaven  
Where the sound of trumpets play  
Straining for the skies  
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Laying on the bend  
Of the river to my right  
Watching nature be.  
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Light reflects on walls  
Light bounces on everything  
Light shows a new world  
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Crispy orange leaves  
Slowly falling one by one  
Covering frosted grass  
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Small white specks of earth  
Giving the world a new mask  
One that is complex  
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A bird on a branch  
singing to welcome the day –  
Morning melody.  
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Losing oneself in  
woodland shadows, restoring  
one's inner balance  
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Birds hide behind leaves  
Chirping from behind the green  
Scared to show their face.  
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Beaver dams up stream  
Heron wades in the water  
Cottonwood Magic  
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When the quiet night comes  
the world of everything comes into peace  
that's what I yearn for.  
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