



## ***The Dancing Princess...***

*dedicated to Alina & Jordyn*

*I came across a poem written about a little girl and her father. When you guys grow up and read this book you'll understand the meaning of the words and you'll know exactly how I felt about you when you were little girls...but for right now just know this one thing.....I love you!*

### ***I Need Daddy Too, by Ryan Richard***

*I heard you talking Daddy,  
You may not believe it's true.  
It's not only my Mommy's love,  
I need my Daddy's too*

*From the moment you saw me Daddy,  
You couldn't let me go.  
Daddy's little girl forever,  
Like only a Father knows*

*We'll learn together Daddy,  
Together we will grow.  
For I'll always be your princess Daddy,  
Even when I'm grown*

## Let Me Introduce Myself

Hi, my name is Julie. I am 10 years old and I am in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. I live in a small town called Sunny Hills with my family. This is my house.



My daddy's name is Jeff and my mommy's name is Jenny. Oh ya, I almost forgot about Jacks, our dog. He's part of the family too. That's him in the picture. Isn't he cute?



# School



I go to Sunny Hills Elementary school. I love it there. My **favorit** thing to do at **schol** is to draw really **kool** pictures. That's me with the flower I drew. My teacher's name is Ms. Jackson, she is very nice and she teaches me a lot of stuff.

Sometimes when I don't **wanna** go outside I stay in the **clasroom** and help Ms. Jackson. She calls me the **techers** pet 😊

# Friends



I have lots of **freinds** that I hang out with. My best **freind's** name is Mary. She is a year older than me but we still get along pretty well.

During lunch we like to dance and run around the **playround** singing Rhianna songs. My **favorit** song of hers is the one that goes..."Under my umbrella, ella, ella." That's me and Mary dancing at lunch. My hair was such a mess that day.

# Car Ride With Dad



I usually get out of **schol** at 3 o'clock or so. Most of the time my mom picks me up, but sometimes my dad comes to get me. I like it when he **piks** me up and surprises me with ice cream. On our way home he cranks up the radio and we sing songs at the top of our lungs.

One time he was driving so fast that he got a ticket from a policeman. It **costed** him like \$5,000.

## Ice-Cream Secret



When we arrive home he **usually** tells me, “Don’t tell your mom we had ice cream, she just cooked tacos and if she finds out I took your ice cream, she’ll kill me.”

One time I had some **chocolate** ice cream on my lip when I walked into the house and mom figured out what we had been up to. My mom gave dad a **funny** look. I think he got in trouble that day.

# Dancing



Ever since I was a **little** girl I loved to dance. My **momy** put me in dance **clases** when I was 3 or 4. I tried other sports before I fell in love with dance. My dad even took me out and played **basketbal** and soccer with me, but I didn't really have as much fun as I do when I dance.

I feel like a princess when I spin around on stage and the crowd cheers for me.

## Embarrassing Moment



One time at a dance competition my dad **yeled** my name when I came out on stage and that really made me nervous. I made him **promis** never to yell out my name again. That's him on top. He's so handsome, or so my mom says.



## Practice

On the weekends I go to dance **practise**. It's **kinda** a bummer having to be in **practise** all weekend, but there is NOTHING I would rather be doing. My favorite ballet move is the plia.

This is a picture of a girl from another team trying to do it. She needs more practice ☹️



My **favorit** dance move is when I pull my leg way above my head, I'm really good at it and no one else on my team can do it.

# Dancing



I go to dance performances all over my town with my team. Our team name is The Dancing Princesses. My best friend in dance is Lisa. She is 1 year **younger** than me but she is a better **dancer** than almost everyone on my team.

Once, my dance team went all the way to Fairfield for a competition. We won two **sophisticated** silvers that time. That's just a fancy way of **saying** that we came in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. I usually get a pin or **ribbon** after the competition. Once we even got a trophy, it was **bigger** than me. That's a picture of it on top.

## Performing

One of my favorite things about dancing is the cool **costums** we get to wear. All the other teams at the **performences** wear really raunchy outfits that are way too short for them. My coach Beth designs the best outfits. This is a picture of her before our dance **practise**.



I love to sit in the **audence** and cheer on the rest of my Dancing Princesses **teamates**. I am so proud to be part of such a great team. I hope we all stay **together** until we're like 18 or something.

## Favorite Things With Daddy



One of my **favorit** things to do is to watch Sunny Hills Stallions basketball **gams** with my dad. They are his **favrite** team in the whole wide world. That's the team on top. They are the best. **Numbr** 2 is my favorite.

We sit on the couch in our Stallions jersey's and yell at the TV whenever they make a good play and we yell even **loudr** when they make a bad one. We like to high **fiv** each other when someone **duncs** the ball.

# The Championship Parade



When I was 7 and the Stallions won the **championship** my dad and I went to the parade they had in downtown. It was really cool.

We got to wave at my **favrite** player and met a few of the **cheerleeders**. They were pretty. My dad agreed with me but told me my mom was 10 times **prettier**. We even **staied** at a cool hotel that had a swimbing pool on the roof. That was AWESOME!

# Doll Shopping



My dad likes to take me to a **stor** called “U.S.A. Dolls”. It’s a really wonderful place where you can buy dolls, do their hair and dress them up however you like.

We spend hours in the store looking for funky outfits, **cuz** I like funky clothes. My dad helps me pick out hairstyles for my doll. The cool thing about the **stor** is that the dolls already come with a name. The last one I bought (I have 8 of them) was named Shirley. This is her picture. She is **blond** and she is my favorite.

## Getting In Trouble With Mom



Well, I guess if I'm **gonna** tell you about all the fun things I like to do, I might as well tell you about all the **stuff** I do that gets me in trouble.

One thing that I do that is not nice, is that I talk back to my mom (that's her on top, isn't she pretty). When she tells me to do **something** I don't want to do I **sometimes** I raise my voice at her. I know I shouldn't be doing that but it just slips out. Sorry, mom!

## Making Daddy Mad

The other thing that my parents, especially my dad, get really, really, really mad about is when I interrupt their conversation.



My dad's face turns **reder** than a **tomatoe**. He doesn't look as happy as he does in this picture. They talk about grownup **stuf** and I just can't help **miself**, I start talking and asking them **stuf**, right in the middle of their conversation. I know I shouldn't do it but my mouth moves so fast that my brain doesn't have time to stop it. **Sory** dad!



# My Family

I have a huge family. I mean I have a **ginormous**, humongous family. My mom is from Australia where the Kangaroos live and my dad is from France, where the Eiffel Tower is. This is a drawing I made of where I want to go when I grow up.



My **Ant** Linda, who is from France usually eats ALL the cheesecake at our family **partees**. She says she needs it as “comfort food,” whatever that means.

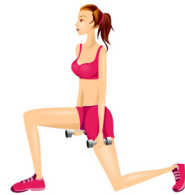
# My Ants

I have the worlds greatest ants. Their names are Maggie, Michelle and Maria. Each of them do fun stuff with me.

Aunt Maggie always does my hair and makeup for all my dance competitions.



My Aunt Michelle teaches me how to do push-ups and get strong.



My Aunt Maria let's me sleep in the backyard and roast marshmellos with my litle cusins Nancy and Johnny.



## Mamaie and Tataie

My mamaie and tataie, which means grandma and grandpa in French always take me out to fun places. They let me sleep over all the time. I even broke one of their beds when I was jumping on it ☹️



I love playing in their backyard. It is so big. They have a dog too. His name is Jingle. He is 5 times the size of my dog Jacks. They like chasing one another around the back yard. They are best freinds.

## Grandma and Grandpa



My other grandma and grandpa are **really** nice too. They are my mom's parents. They always dog sit Jacks when we go on our **family** vacations. My grandma loves Jacks.

One time she cut his hair really nice and ever since then we don't take Jacks to the groomer. We take him to grandmas house, because she doesn't charge us any money. My dad likes that. He says, "If it's free, it's for me."

## Great Grandmas

I have four great grandmothers, but only two of them live close to me.

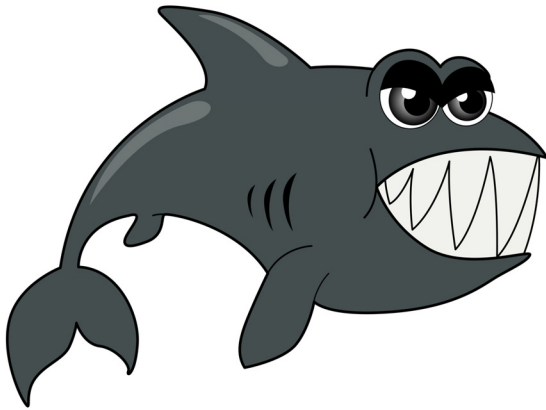
My great grandma Gwen is really sick. She lives with my grandma and grandpa because she can't take care of **herslf** so grandma and grandpa help her eat and shower and give her **medicene**.



My great grandma Gertrude that is in this picture is my dads grandma. She moved about 100 miles away from us to be with other old people. My dad makes me call her from time to time.

## Great Grandpas

I'm bummed because I don't have any great grandfathers, because they all passed away before I was born. From the stories my mom and dad told me they were pretty fun. My mom once bit my great grandpa's nose so hard that he started calling her Jaws, you know the scary shark from the movies.



My dad's grandpas were awesome too. One of them **owned** his own restaurant in France right under the Eiffel Tower.

## Vacations

One of my **favorit** things to do in the world is to go on vacation. One time we went on a vacation to Africa. We saw all kinds of cool animals, even **girrafes** which is my **favorit** animal.



I asked my dad how much the vacation **costed** and he said, "an arm and a leg". I didn't know what he **ment**. I think he was **makeing** a joke about the lions we saw on our **safare**.

# Alaska

**Anothr** vacation I will never forget is the one when we went to Alaska. I have no idea why my dad chose to take us to such a **frezing** place.



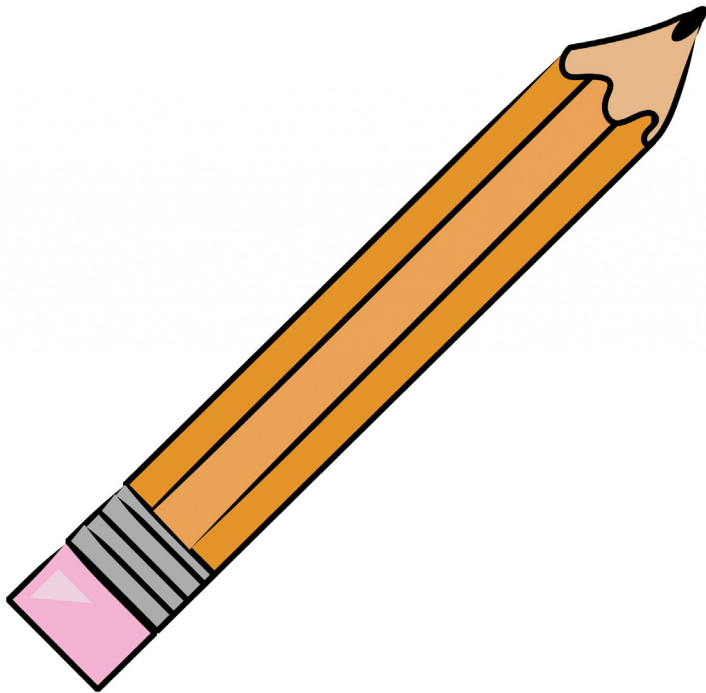
We **stayied** at a hotel that was round and looked just like a real Eskimo igloo. All the people who worked there were Eskimos I think **cuz** they all dressed like Eskimos and they even had **tenis rakets** on their feet.



## The End

Well its time for me to go to sleep now.  
**Riting** in this **jurnal** has been really fun.  
My dad just came in the room and told  
me to go to sleep so I **gess** I have to go.

**Okai**, bye!



**I love you.....**