

### **The Freedoms of the Keyboard**

fingers fly across a keyboard *click click click*  
like tip-tapping birds flitting about the computer  
trying to form the perfect sentence  
words uncloak themselves on the screen  
black letters spring up from the white blankness of a New Document (Command+N)  
they zip smoothly into paragraphs  
like streams of air zooming from a jet in the blue blue sky  
no more fathomless ink  
that sometimes tips over and spills  
hurling its deathly black lifeblood across the page and  
strangling your delicate letters  
no more eraser shavings  
littering the desk they are  
shreds of your failed stories and essays  
as you grind your pencil into  
metallic gray slivers.  
with my computer keyboard  
beginning anew is always an option  
i delete any mistakes BACKSPACE  
i open a fresh new page whenever  
i type and type and type and type and type free to edit when i want where i want  
*clickedyclack* goes the keyboard it never stops

**I Am Your Laptop**

I am your laptop

You come to me every day

Every single day.

I am your teacher

A math problem you don't understand? A skateboarding trick you want to learn?

I have all the information you need.

I am your social tool

You want to chat up that cute new kid, but not face to face?

You can do that behind my screen.

I am your entertainer

When you have nothing to do on a weekend afternoon

I have a plethora of new games to interest you.

I am your best friend

There is nothing you can't do with me

I have new software! new applications! everything you could ever wish for.

I am your comforter

When life treats you rough, when your friends wound you and scar you

I will help you forget your pain.

I will provide you with distractions galore.

I am your lifeline

You depend on me

You rely on me

I help you with all your problems, your failures, your assignments  
without me you can accomplish nothing.

I am your destroyer

I have taken over your life

Never do you run outside to play anymore

You take my drug

You do not stop

Without me you cannot survive

In my absence you are but an empty

shell.