

# Junior Pantoums

What is a pantoum?

A verse form composed of quatrains in which the second and fourth lines are repeated as the first and third lines of the following quatrain.

How were these pantoums written?

The class wrote journals on the topic of **COURAGE**. From the journals they identified eight (8) interesting bits of language. These bits of language each became a line in the poem.

**ENJOY!**

## Badass

Comes to mind  
Thought that's it's your only chance  
Stand up for them  
Push past there things

Thought that it's your only chance  
Push past mental blocks  
Push past these things  
Things that comes to mind

Past mental blocks  
Backed into a corner  
Things that come to mind  
Do what you don't want

Blocked into a corner  
Stand up for them  
Do what you don't want  
Comes to mind

## **Courage a Way of Life**

Courage is something that can be self  
Strive to not give up  
If I didn't have the courage for  
I would be nothing or nobody

Strive to not give up  
When the time is right  
I would be nothing or nobody  
It wasn't for me

When the time was right  
I didn't have the courage  
It wasn't for me  
The hardest year I had to overcome

I didn't have the courage  
If I didn't have the courage for  
The hardest year I had to overcome  
Courage is something that can be self

## **Girl Who Can't Stay on Topic**

To fill up this page  
Until you say stop  
I can't really think  
Girl who can't stay on topic

Until you say stop  
I don't know  
Girl who can't stay on topic  
I just want to be done

I don't know  
I never shut up  
I just want to be done  
I have something to say

I never shut up  
I can't really think  
I have something to say  
To fill up this page

## Overcoming for Courage

It's something you find in yourself  
Overcoming your weaknesses  
For the greater good  
You obtain though it

Overcoming your weaknesses  
Doing the right thing  
You obtain though it  
Courage is the power to overcome with confidence

Doing the right thing  
You must be brave  
Courage is the power to overcome with confidence  
Be strong and fight

You must be brave  
For the greater good  
Be strong and fight  
It's something you find for yourself

## Courage

Courage is a good thing  
Take chances  
Quality of mind  
Face danger with self-possession and confidence

Take chances  
Do what you want no matter what adversity  
Face danger with self-possession and confidence  
Do more things in life

Do what you want no matter what adversity  
Never know what could have happened  
Do more things in life  
If you are courageous

Never know what could have happened  
Quality of mind  
If you are courageous  
Courage is a good thing

## Courage

Being brave is courage  
Standing up for something  
Getting past a barrier  
Like the Lion on Wizard of Oz

Standing up for something  
Courage can make and show the best of a person  
Like the lion on the Wizard of Oz  
So push through

Courage can make and show the best of a person  
Use courageousness to your advantage  
So push through  
Courage for strength, leadership, and pride

Use courageousness to your advantage  
Getting past a barrier  
Courage for strength, leadership and pride  
Being brave is courage

## **Digging Out**

Becoming great at something  
Getting out of a hole  
Becoming something you could only dream of being  
Standing up for something you believe in

Getting out of a hole  
Pushing yourself until you can't push anymore  
Standing up for something you believe in  
Being all you can be

Pushing yourself until you can't push anymore  
Dig out of  
Being all you can be  
Beyond your limits

Dig out of  
Becoming something you could only dream of being  
Beyond your limits  
Becoming great at something

## Scramble

Stand up for something  
Only little things  
Big and Spectacular  
You can see my point

Only little things  
Above and beyond  
You can see my point  
Standing up for somebody

Above and beyond  
That is deep  
Standing up for somebody  
Courage is pushing yourself

That is deep  
Big and spectacular  
Courage is pushing yourself  
Stand up for somebody