Five Examples of Student Haiku

(Based on student writing on “A Perfect Day for Bananafish,” “Uncle Wiggily in Connecticut,” and “For Esme – With Love and Squalor”)

I don’t pity the Dead I pity the living Who cannot escape

Now that I’m back home I can’t live with all my thoughts War has changed my mind

Scarred by blood of men A soldier becomes insane Worsening with time

Lack of sympathy Rings true for soldiers in war Leads to suffering

Young girls lend a hand Healing minds and hearts of men Torn apart by war