



**2019 REFUGEES & HUMAN RIGHTS
CHILD & YOUTH POETRY CONTEST
DIVISION 1 - GRADES 4 TO 6**

**FAYE BLOCK, GRADE 6
ROBBINS HEBREW ACADEMY
SECOND PRIZE**

DILVEEN'S STORY



Hello, Dilveen, I'm writing to you
I would not have survived what you went through
Your father murdered; your best friend taken
You: distressed and shaken
Captured by ISIS
Placed in crisis
You were fed old bread and cheese
Covered in fleas
Taken by a man
You hatched a daring plan
To escape with your friend
Take this captivity to an end
You put pills in his tea
So you could flee
You escaped to your uncle's car
Who drove you somewhere far
You moved to Canada
After all your trauma
You were put through a lot
You had to hear a gunshot
But you didn't lose hope
Didn't sit there and mope
You are only fourteen
That is your story, Dilveen