



**2021 REFUGEES & HUMAN RIGHTS  
CHILD & YOUTH POETRY CONTEST  
DIVISION 1 - GRADES 4 TO 6**

**SEHER NIAZ, GRADE 6  
PLUM TREE PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL  
THIRD PRIZE  
HUMAN**



Some came from lost countries and broken homes  
Some came from war and inequality  
Some came in the hopes of finding hope  
Did we give them hope?  
They came to grow their families  
They came to escape a cage  
They came for rights  
Did we give them rights?  
They wanted peace not war  
They wanted equal rights  
They wanted a fresh start  
Did we help them start a new and better life?  
Instead of helping those who needed it we pushed them out  
Instead of ridding of their trauma we added to it  
Instead of treating them like equals we treated them like a different species  
Instead of giving them a helping hand we let them fall into despair  
Why?



Why couldn't we give them equal rights

Why couldn't we help them find a place to explore themselves

Why couldn't we accept them for who they are and let them be free to live like us

Why do the refugees have to fight for their rights if we do not have to

Put yourself in their shoes

Think of hate you could've gotten just because of who you are

Think of all the fear you could've experienced

Think of the overwhelmingness that comes from not visiting but **moving** to another country

In the end we are all human

We are all one

We are all living together on the same planet

We are all trying to eliminate the hate in this world

So let's start with this

Eliminate all hate step by step

After all they are called **HUMAN** rights let's make sure it stays like that.