**Hemisphere**

I call a ball a ball

You know.

That hurts my

Teacher’s ear.

She wants to use

A fancy name.

You see, a ball’s

A sphere.

And that’s nat all;

There’s more to this,

A longer word

I fear.

For when you cut

That ball in half,

Each half’s a

Hemisphere.

**The Equator**

The earth is round

Much like a ball,

About as wide

As it is tall.

Around its middle

There’s a line,

And like a belt

It fits just fine.

Half the earth’s

Above, and so,

An equal half

Is down below

**Where Are We?**

In the ocean, way out far,

It’s tough to tell just

Where you are.

So to help your attitude…

Use longitude and latitude.

How far have you gone around?

How far up, or how far down?

**Two Views**

Maps are nice

But they can’t show

All thing exactly right.

The Earth is round

But maps are flat,

Quite an oversight.

Still a map’s a helpful tool.

It gives a closer view.

But if you want the BIG idea,

Globes are needed, too.