

# The Fabulous Paradise

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UUUGGHH! Homework again!  
That's the trouble of being ten,  
I wonder what it's like underwater,  
Swimming through the reeds like a mermaid's daughter...

The crystal clear sea, as blue as can be,  
This is the perfect life for me!  
The golden glaze of the glimpsing sun,  
Is telling me that summer has already begun.

By the sea  
A beach packed full of people,  
Loving the view much better than a steeple,  
I wonder if they notice  
The amazing little lotus to the far right.

1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10....10 waves one by one,  
Like the shell song that has already been sung.  
There are crabs running away and not wanting to be caught,  
Like the school play at school that has already been taught.

I shake my head and realise...

I'm not in Paradise,

I'm stuck doing Algebra  
Whilst trying to figure out life's problems