Help the World
by Neal Levin

A garden full of friendship
And a river full of joy.
A land of life and liberty
For every girl and boy.

A planet full of freedom,
Full of peace, and full of fun.
These are things I hope
That I can help the world become.
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1. What does the poet hope for in this poem?
   - a. He hopes he can play in the river with his friends.
   - b. He hopes to plant a garden in the spring.
   - c. He hopes to travel to other parts of the world.
   - d. He hopes to make the world a better place to live.

2. What is the tone, or mood, of this poem?
   - a. lonely
   - b. proud
   - c. hopeful
   - d. guilty

3. Alliteration is a poetry term that refers to several words in a row that start with the same letter, such as “bigger and better”.
   Choose which words from the poem represent alliteration.
   - a. “river full of joy”
   - b. “land of life and liberty”
   - c. “things I hope”
   - d. “help the world become”

4. What is the rhyming pattern of this poem? Use the letters A, B, C, and D.
   _______, _______, _______, _______
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Fill in the missing letters to create words from the poem.

Then write the full word on the line. Be sure you spell each word correctly.

1. f r ___ e d ___ m
   clue: the right to be independent
   1. _______________________

2. p l ___ n ___ t
   clue: an object that orbits the sun
   2. _______________________

3. f r i ___ n ___ s ___ i p
   clue: the state of being friends
   3. _______________________

4. l i ___ e r ___ y
   clue: another word for freedom; independence
   4. _______________________

5. p ___ a ___ e
   clue: a state of quietness; harmony
   5. _______________________
In the poem, “Help the World,” the poet uses colorful language to describe the changes he wants to help make in the world.

On the lines below, write a paragraph to describe three changes you want to see in the world we live in. Give three examples of how you can help make these changes in the world.

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