

"Trapped" by Makayla Smith, 9th grade, Mansfield Christian High School

We met online on this dating app

It was like love at first sight I didn't know it was all a trap

I thought I'd be alright

Now I wake up and stare at this wall each day

And sit in my bed and pray Feels like a cycle on replay

Everyday I stay

All I got are these clothes on my back, And a couple scraps of bread, Sometimes a little snack
And just a cloth for a bed

He told me "I'll love you forever"

He said he'd never hurt me

I should've been more clever

But now I just wanna be free

He brought me down here

And locked the door

He grabbed me by the ear And beat me to my core