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“A prayer for peace “ and “ I painted peace”

A prayer for peace

Lord, make the instrument of thy peace;
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon
where there is doubt, faith
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness
and where there is sadness, joy.
oh divine Master,
grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console;
to be understood, as to understand;
to be loved, as to love;
for it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying
that we are born
to Eternal life

What about you?

1. Are an instrument of peace?
2. Have you ever tried to promote peace among your classmates and friends?
3. Do you agree that to receive pardon we have to pardon others? Why? Why not?
4. Do you think it's possible to forgive?
5. Have you ever forgiven someone who wronged you?

“I Painted peace”

I had a box of colours
Shining bright and bold.
I had a box of colours,
Some warm, some very cold.
I had no red for the blood of
wounds.
I had no black for the orphans' grief.
I had no white for dead faces and
hands.

I had no yellow for burning sands.
But I had orange for the joy of life,
And I had green for buds and nests.
I had blue for bright, clear skies.
I had pink for dreams and rest.
I sat down and painted Peace

by Tali Sorek

Answer the following questions:

1. What are the colours of peace, according to Tali?
2. And what are the colours of war?
3. Does this poem remind you of all children compelled to live day by day with war?
4. Is this poem optimistic or pessimistic?
5. Does Tali hope that the war will end one day or not?
6. Has Tali's hope of peace for her country come true?