Create Sunflower Poetry

Read non-fiction books about sunflowers to the class. After children are familiar with characteristics of the sunflower help them brainstorm adjectives that describe sunflowers. Write these on the chalkboard or a large piece of paper. Next brainstorm “ing” phrases that apply to sunflowers. Write these down also. Have students use these words to write poems about sunflowers such as:

Sunflower
Bright and yellow
Bending in the wind
Sunflower

Highlight the poems by typing them or having each child copy his or hers neatly on a piece of paper. Mount the poem and a pressed sunflower on construction paper. Mount the construction paper on poster board of a contrasting color. For a one inch frame the poster board needs to be two inches wider and taller than the construction paper.

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