

I don't need to own the crown jewels, drive a Lamborghini or get into the Guinness book of world records but
I wouldn't mind being able to buy a Winstone's icecream from the van up on Minchinhampton Common, watch the kites being flown and the hang gliders drift with the wind.

Yes I don't need much but
I am storing up all the good ordinary things
That once were everyday
But now have become
My special things.

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We tried this idea out on RadioBlogging.net and here is a poem by one of the children. I like the way that the poet has named things – *Bailey*, *Beacon Hill*. The writing pattern using the word *but* to introduce the contrast is a simple but very effective way to write your list down.

Wishes

I don't want to go to a faraway island,
but I do wish I could go camping with my family.
I don't want to climb Mount Everest,
but I do wish I could go up Beacon Hill, and look for fish in the pond, and climb up a tree.
I don't want to eat at a fancy restaurant,
but I do wish I could get ice cream with a friend.
I don't want to see lions roaring, monkeys up trees, and giraffes munching leaves,
but I do wish I could stroke my friend's dog, Bailey.
I don't want to buy the contents of the shopping centre,
but I do wish I could wander round a bookshop.

Writing tip: write about real things that matter to you and things that you are really looking forwards to experiencing again. These can be quite small things that in the past we didn't think much about. Now, they may be things that you are longing to do.