Plastic Poem

In the future

Healthy marine ecosystems

Will become unheard of

A plastic straw discarded in the sand

Won't be the last

Lunch for the unsuspecting sea turtle

Plastic bags not reused or recycled

The ocean is cheapened by

Water bottles

There are no

Sand dollars

My kids will find

Vacations seaside

Rare

The ocean is

Half-full with plastic

Seagulls return with stomachs half-empty with life and

It's so painful to

Remember

Plastic does not just wash away

We cannot change our way of life

It's impossible to believe that

We can help our planet

Can we reverse this?