
I Win Again

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Nike Poems by Acquenetta Taylor

Being strong has made me weak
having to pretend I so complete
Though symptoms they spell sheer defeat
I'm a Winner not a Quitter I must compete.

In a place, a familiar face
I see as I pace the track
holding back, my attempt to react
To the movement that surrounds me.

Pressing towards the mark
as the arch in my back
Deepens with determination.
Only to see as I pull my knee
there's that face beside me.

From the corner of my eye
I glance to the side
Never showing worry or defeat.
Again I remind me
I'm a Winner, not a Quitter,
and a Winner must compete!..

Growing closer to the end
I'm wearing the number # 10
Described best by the fans
that surround me.
From the year prior too
I haven't a clue

Everything's happening so fast.

My opponents they're competing
But, it feels like I'm cheating
'cause my legs seem to run on their own
But my mind says don't knock it
Execute! As I block it
Straining to take that last stretch...

As I leap toward the mark
There's relief in my heart
While the tension grips my shoulders
I'm beginning to swear
The trophy's right there!
The competition is officially over.
I WIN AGAIN

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