

## Pie Quebrado

From a Child a Garden of Verses

I was a rainbow-eyed child.  
My imagination ran wild.  
happy and free

Mind raced like a motorcycle.  
from when I rode a tricycle  
rode skillfully.

No ballerina. I liked tap  
I talked in rhyme in finger snap  
poetically.

Words and images came to dance  
giving poems and novels a chance  
creatively

From when I could write I wrote reams  
scribbling, drawing youthful dreams  
delightfully

Words bloomed like hyacinths, the scope  
a cosmic garden filled with star hope  
galactically

**Pie Quebrado:** Spanish-broken foot. The Broken footed couplet is from 14<sup>th</sup> century. Often used in the Copla. Often follows an octosyllabic or 8 syllable couplet.

Two Stanzaic forms:

1. A couplet of two 8 syllable lines followed by a tail, a 4 syllable line.
2. A couplet made of 8 syllable line followed by 4 syllable line.