



Learning To Fly

Well I started out down a dirty road
Started out all alone
And the sun went down as I crossed the hill
And the town lit up, the world got still

[Chorus:]

I'm learning to fly, but I ain't got wings
Coming down is the hardest thing

Well the good ol' days may not return
And the rocks might melt and the sea may burn

[Chorus]

Well some say life will beat you down
Break your heart, steal your crown
So I've started out for God knows where
I guess I'll know when I get there

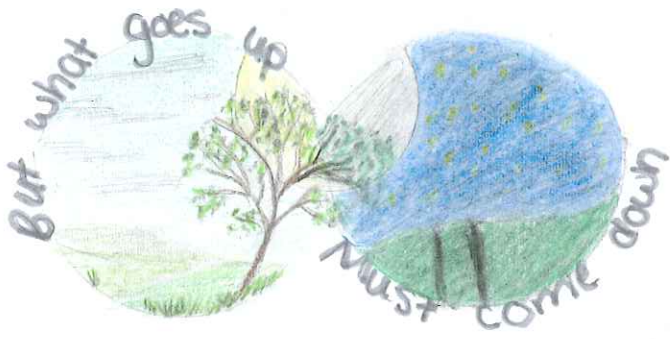
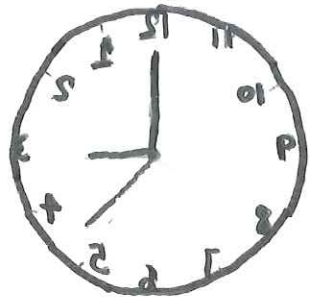
I'm learning to fly, around the clouds
But what goes up must come down

[Chorus]

Tom Petty and The Heartbreakers

family
comfort
friends
familiar

goals
education
choices
love
future
adventure
life



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On my poster I've chosen 5 different images that I feel convey my poem and the meaning. The first image is a house being left behind with a dusty road ahead. This image represents the first two lines "Well I started off down a dirty road / Started out all alone". In these two lines the author is leaving home and becoming his own person, Figuring out his path for himself by himself. The second image is a girl sitting surrounded by question marks and thought bubbles with all the future decisions she'll face sooner or later. This image represents lines 11 and 12 "So I've started out for God knows where / I guess I'll know when I get there." These lines reveal the uncertainty of growing up. The third image is of a clock with the numbers backward. I decided to place the numbers backward to express the want for time to turn back to simple days. The image represents line 7 "well the good ol' days may not return" thus describing the want for our childhood back but "the good ol' days may not return". The fourth image is two circles together with the lyrics from line 14, "But what goes up must come down" in this line it's described that whatever you let out into the universe while "learning to fly"

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whether it's negative or positive it will come back. Inside the circles we have one being daylight and the other night time. I chose these two things because no matter if it's the nicest thing done or the worst thing done, it all comes around. The last image is a pair of golden wings. On the left wing are the things that make leaving home so scary, on the right wing are all the things to gain from leaving. These wings represent all aspects of life that one may need to fly. Although left behind the left wing forms us into the person we are as we leave home. The right wing continues to help us grow into the person we will be.

All we can do in life is learn to fly, and continue learning even though life will "beat you down/Break your heart, steal your own!"

To me the song means that in learning to fly means to learn how to live for himself, by himself. By saying "coming down is the hardest thing" is all the disappointment that comes with growing up and living.