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The Academy of Language Studies, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) Kedah branch is proud to present the first issue of its e-magazine, The Epitome, as our focus to highlight our commitment to contribute to the areas of creative writing.

THE EPITOME aims to provide a platform for writers, educators, academicians, poet, and researchers to share their ideas, findings, knowledge, and experience, particularly on various creative writing genres - personal essays, poetry, short stories, songs, movie scripts, plays, and innovative projects in four different languages ( English, Bahasa Melayu, Mandarin, and Arabic).

## EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear readers,

It is with great pleasure and immense pride that we, the Academy of Language Studies at Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) Kedah branch, extend our warmest welcome to all writers and readers to honor all 127 artistic masterpieces. This is indeed a tremendous achievement to commemorate our debut.

We are privileged to offer the platform for the writers to show their talents in creative writing in this magazine, which serves as a testament to our commitment to the area of personal essays, poetry, short stories, songs, movie scripts, plays, and innovative projects. Their invaluable contributions and unwavering commitment to academic excellence have played a vital role in shaping this magazine.

Thank you.

Best regards,

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Alone in this quiet, gentle space,  
I was reborn by the crust of another planet,  
Opening my eyes to a world of emptiness,  
Astonishing as some would say of my existence.

Seeing the others in the far distance,  
Seems like I could just grab them,  
And surround them all around,  
But it is impossible, as I am just a star.

Despaired of not being able to love,  
Funny thinking it would be possible to do such a thing,  
It seems as if being alone was bound to my existence,  
But I can never be upset, as I am just a star.

But I believe I was created to serve a purpose,  
Now am able to accept the way I am,  
Listening to all of your praises,  
Grateful I am to be admired.

And still when I'm all alone,  
Here in my own space.  
Oh, how it shivers my core just thinking about it,  
Dreaming of another life beyond.



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