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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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There were nights that she wondered,
Thoughts of her nest lingered,
Looking at the dark velvet sky,
Hollowed eyes and longings that lie.

Glimpses of her childhood revisit,
Of how this feels deficit,
Memories that are too sweet,
All that she wishes to meet.

The void no one notices,
The absence of a grandma's traces,
The memories that linger,
The company that matters,
The shadow that disappears.

Almost like twins,
Almost like identical sisters,
Images that blow like yesterday's wind,
Quickly dissolve with distance.

It wasn't always easy,
Deeply set in their ways,
Yet, wisdom is always there,
Torrential love forever.

She looks at her daughter,
Wonders if she will ever,
Think of her mother,
The same way that she does.



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