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Poetry Honorable Mention

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A colorless field of darkness

There is no sun, no light

Feel the ground as you search for a sign but there is nothing to encounter

No one enters no one leaves

Only a field surrounded by emptiness

Hours pass, then days but nothing occurs

The sun has not yet risen

There are no birds, only silence except for the haunting voice inside your head

But you must not lose hope

For in this moment hope is all that remains

Hope that the sun will rise

Hope that the field will merge into a forest or bring you back home

Hold onto hope, persist, continue on

The future is undiscovered

Until one day the darkness begins to dissipate

A ray of light pierces the cloud of dust

The wind calms to become the fresh breeze of a spring morning

The melody of the chorus of birds echoes through the great blue sky

The field once colorless is now luminescent with radiance

The grass flourishes into a bright green and the flowers blossom and bloom

The softness of white and purple petals cover the grassy field

Hope rejoices its survival through the harsh darkness to become the glowing light

illuminating the path ahead