

Poems

In HLT Nov 2006 Paul Bress wrote a poem (see below left) and this prompted Mario Rinvoluceri to write a companion piece (see below right).

Bress:

Remember the students' names
Remember their nationalities
Remember to tell them this and that
Remember to bring your handouts
Remember to fill in the register
Remember to record what you've taught
Remember to follow the programme
Remember the code for the staff room and photocopier

Remember your user name and password
Remember to check your emails
Remember to attend staff meetings
Remember what you are told to do there
Oh , I almost forgot,
Remember to live.

Rinvoluceri

Remember your own full name
Remember where you come from
Remember to listen to their words
Remember to ask for their thoughts
Remember to feel each absence
Remember to record what they've said
Remember to follow their rhythm

Remember the keys that unlock them
Remember just who you are
Remember to check who they are
Remember that gossip is empty
Remember that you teach this class
Oh, I'll never forget
Just how richly I live.