**Autism and me**

My name is Archie and I’d like to say

How autism affects me everyday

I may have trouble with how I speak

I can’t always say what I mean

It’s tough for me to relate to you

But I promise I still want friends too

Kids with autism are not all alike

Like separate sets of shining lights

Autism changes how our brains grow

So please be patient as you go

Make an effort and show you care

To every kid everywhere

Big or small- in any class

We all just want happiness.

By Archie