



# Cannonball

The lifeguard won't let me go back in the pool.  
He tells me I've broken his number one rule.  
He didn't approve of my summertime smash -  
The Sultan of Soakers, the cannonball splash.

The cannonball calls for an uncommon flair;  
with legs tucked beneath me, I soared through the air.  
With a splash that would make me the talk of the school,  
I think that I just about emptied the pool.

I splashed Mr. Meese and his silly new hat.  
I splashed Mrs. Simpkins, who called me a brat.  
I splashed Suzy Smith from her head to her feet  
and even the lifeguard, whose whistle went *tweet!*

So now here I sit in the heat of the day.  
No running. No splashing. And no way to play.  
My friends are all swimming and staying real cool,  
but the lifeguard won't let me go back in the pool.

~Dave Crawley

