

# Kartchner Caverns

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Arizona is my home  
Where pretty purple and yearlong yellow skies come together.  
It's the place where my imagination can roam  
In the desert's mysteries living forever.

Nature brings forms of water, life, and land  
All with unique biodiversity,  
But sometimes, we forget what lies beneath the sand  
In the beauty of a cavern, you can see.

Kartchner Caverns adds a special touch to our wonders  
With glowing speleothems all around.  
People learn about all that lies in the stalactites of big numbers  
As drops of water fall with a quiet sound.

All that I can see from that day and remember  
Was the feeling of watching the minerals so spectacular, so immense.  
Darkness and humidity made their way through the cave like an ember  
As excitement sparked through me in the experience.

Shades of bronze color with gold  
Highlight the areas of light  
While children watch in amazement at all the cave can hold  
And all the purposeful resources in sight.

Savoring every moment of peace and protection  
That the cave provided in its own natural ways  
Made me feel different as we exited from another direction  
And hopeful in experiencing more caverns in the future days.