

Basketball

Basketball,
The adrenaline rush
before the big game.

The sound of the ball
beating fast against the court.
The squeaking of the basketball shoes.

The wind passing my face,
when running to defend the basket.
My fingers getting a sturdy grip on the ridges of the ball.

The neck and neck score,
People cheering us on.
Scoring a three pointer.

Heavy breaths at halftime,
Cold water, running down my throat.
My jersey, sticking to my sweaty back.

Yelling and cheering
from the sidelines.
Your heart beating in your ears
while you wait for a team mate to get back on their feet.

Trying to beat the clock,
to make one last shot.
The cheers and high spirits
after the big win.

The long, tiring, ride back home,
To do homework, eat, and sleep.
"Congrats" the next day at school.

Basketball.
An experience,
in and of its self.

