

## Letter to the Editor: Reader shares poem for upcoming baseball season

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Dear Betsy,

With baseball season coming up I thought you might find a place in your paper for this poem. I think it is great and I have had it a long time. I do not know who the author is.

### **He is Just a Little Boy**

He stands at the plate with his heart pounding fast.

The bases are loaded, the die has been cast.

Mom and Dad cannot help him, he stands all alone.

A hit at this moment would send the team home.

The ball meets the plate, he swings and he misses.

There's a groan from the crowd with some boos and some hisses

A thoughtless voice cries, "Strike out the bum!"

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Tears fill his eyes, the game's no longer fun.

So open your heart and give him a break

For it's moments like this a man you can make.

Please keep this in mind when you hear someone forget

He is just a little boy and not a man yet.

- Author Unknown

Sincerely,

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