The Monkey at the Zoo
Poem By: Judie Eberhardt

I saw a monkey at the zoo
I saw him stop to look at you
He started to swing from tree to tree
And then he stopped to look at me.

His tail was curly and dark brown
It looked like his face was in a frown
I wanted to feed him something yummy
But wasn’t sure what was good for his tummy.

This monkey had a lot of pep
As he jumped around from step to step
He made some noises that were loud
Those noises brought on such a crowd!

A man walked by and called him by name
And said to him, “Let’s play a game”
I think the man worked at the zoo
Because he called the monkey Lou!

Lou ate a banana for his snack
And then some peanuts from a pack
Lou got tired and he sat down
But I got to meet a famous monkey in town!
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   D. A pet shop

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   B. Brother and Sister 
   C. Aunt and Uncle 
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