Directions: Rewrite the paragraph using literal language on the lines below the passage.

A World Turned Upside Down

Jessie felt like a fish out of water. His mind couldn't wrap itself around what was happening. He had always been a big fish in a small sea. He was not only the chief every Friday night when his school went to war with other schools under the lights, but he was also bright as a light. Now his world was turned upside down. It started just as the sun peaked over the cotton balls in the sky. He could hear the big yellow banana laughing at him as it pulled out just before he could make it to the stop. Even Miranda left Jessie standing in the parking lot as lonely as the last leaf on a tree in winter. She told him there were other fish in the sea and it was time she hit the road. It turned out that she had heard through the grapevine that he was a scaredy cat. Then it struck Jesse like lightening. "Adam Jacks stabbed me in the back," Jessie muttered under his breath. Adam, the once minnow, was now a great big shark gobbling up all the minnows that got in his way. Jesse knew he had hit the nail on the head. Adam let the cat out of the bag about Jessie being a bundle of nerves around boogers. Then he started spreading the rumor like peanut butter on a sandwich and of course Adam swooped right in to pick up the pieces.
