

Dieppe Poem
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AND Jess ♥

But mostly Coleman ☺

Jess { In the middle of 1942,
the Allies did not know what to do
Russia encouraged them to fight,
to weaken Germany in spite

Alyshia { So the Allies got ready for a trial run
little did they know what would be done
A plan was set to take the Dieppe beach
~~It was a difficult goal to reach~~

Jess { 5,000 Canadian were sent away,
along with the Allies to seize the day
They planned to attack at dawn

~~but the plan just went all wrong~~ *It was an unrealistic goal to reach*
the breach of dawn
But the plan just happened to go all wrong

Alyshia { They slept in and arrived late,
then ran into a German convoy, unlucky fate
A small, sea battle took place
creating noise to awaken the German base

Jess { The Allies ships were dreadfully delayed
so they arrived in daylight, afraid
Hundreds of men were gunned down
~~with no help around~~ *Screams caught in their throats, yet no sound*

Alyshia { The steep, pebbled beach stopped the tanks
creating fear among the ranks
To add more problems, communication was weak
which made things for the Allies bleak

Jess { In the end casualties were high
907 Canadians were left to die
The Dieppe Raid for the Allies was not a win
but it certainly helped begin
the pathway for success to D-Day
when we made the Germans pay

Coleman { All in all August 19, 1942, Dieppe beach
~~is a day we will always teach~~
Is a day of the past we will always teach

Jess { Ghosts of the past, a staccato growl
Bodies of the wounded, deception, and scowl
The vessels of life destroyed in the breach,
August 19th, 1942, Dieppe Beach.