The privilege to have a pen

I wanted to write a poem about privilege so I starting by listing common privileges, ones I think we all share:
The privilege to be alive
The privilege to.... I'm stuck
Completely stuck
Like peanut butter on a spoon
Like a thousand flying keys in a room
I acknowledge my privilege
I'm grateful for all that I have experienced
The privilege to have water clean enough to drink
The only thing I Carry above my head is a towel
The privilege to have a sink
The privilege to think with clarity
The privilege to never have been truly hungry
The privilege to have a bed
The privilege to have family
The privilege to be healthy
The privilege to have support
To have never been truly alone
The privilege to have experienced enough love in my life to have enough to share
The privilege to have an open heart
To have been given a head start
The privilege to have perfect attendance
To have been educated in my native language
The privilege to go to schools where being good at school was actually cool
The privilege to work at a school where teachers really care
The privilege to be meeting each of you, I will carry you with me everywhere
The privilege to have learned that I can control only my own actions
The privilege to understand that my influence is not measured by the size of my reactions but by the truthfulness of my interactions
The privilege to be victim of the counterattack and not the attack against humanity
We berate skin color, making assumptions about one another
The privilege to have less melanin why are you judging based on color of skin?
The privilege to understand that none of the following are excusable: hating skin color, hating gender, hating groups of people, hating cultures, hating unconventional love, making assumptions, being indifferent, putting people in a box when they can be better heard standing on top.
The privilege to have learned we all came from Africa, in fact we all came from bacteria
This is our genetics, when traced far back enough there is evidence
Of common ancestry, not evolved from chimpanzee, just related,
Like with each other.
The privilege to learn from one another.

**Privilege:** Privilege is something that you have that others do not have. (That makes you because you are better off). It’s a right or advantage only granted to a group of people. It gives you more opportunities. There are different types of privileges- some that we **earn** and others that are **given** to us based on circumstances like skin color, biological sex or money.