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Dear Ms. Tinkler's Readers:

Thank you, thank you for your letters about *Love That Dog!*

I could tell you are a nice and kind group with great hearts just by reading these letters.

Although I wish I could meet you all in person or zooooom into your clean classrooms and see each mostly-friendly face and answer each question, I'm sorry that I cannot, but instead I'm enclosing a list of questions often asked about *Love That Dog* and the answers, too.

I'm so glad you enjoyed this book and I hope you will enjoy writing your own poems.

Today is a brrr cold gray February day in Maine with SNOW expected tonight!

I am answering mail while the phone is ringing

and the neighbor is using a snow blower VERY I o u d I y –ACK!

and I still need to go to the grocery store and the gas station and the bank and the post office and oh all that STUFF...

But please know that: It is so **beautiful** to find your words in the midst of all this chaos at my house!

Beaming you molto loverino—

Your devoted author,

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Sharon Creech
P. S. On my website, under
'Teach Creech' and then
'Love That Dog' there should be a link to
a video of me doing a Reader's
Theatre event of 'Love That Dog'
with Walter Dean Myers, Avi,
& Sarah Weeks.