

Sample Bio Poem

Laura

Dedicated, creative, caring

Lover of black cats, great books, and warm
chocolate chip cookies

Who wonders if there is life on other planets

Who fears that we may be destroying our
own planet

Who feels happy and peaceful when she's
kayaking the Lumber River

Who would like to travel to distant lands
and hike far away mountains

Who dreams that this year all her students
will discover the joy of reading!



Bio Poem Planning Page

First Name _____

3 Words That Describe You _____

Who enjoys _____

Who is able to _____

Who feels _____

Who wonders _____

Who fears _____

Who cares about _____

Who dreams of _____



I am a person _____

I wonder _____

I hear _____

I see _____

I want _____

I am a person _____

I pretend _____

I feel happy _____

I touch _____

I worry when _____

I cry when _____

I am a person _____

I understand _____

I say _____

I dream that _____

I try _____

I hope _____

I am a person who _____

Autobiographical

_____, _____, _____, _____

sibling of _____

who likes _____

who feels _____

who needs _____

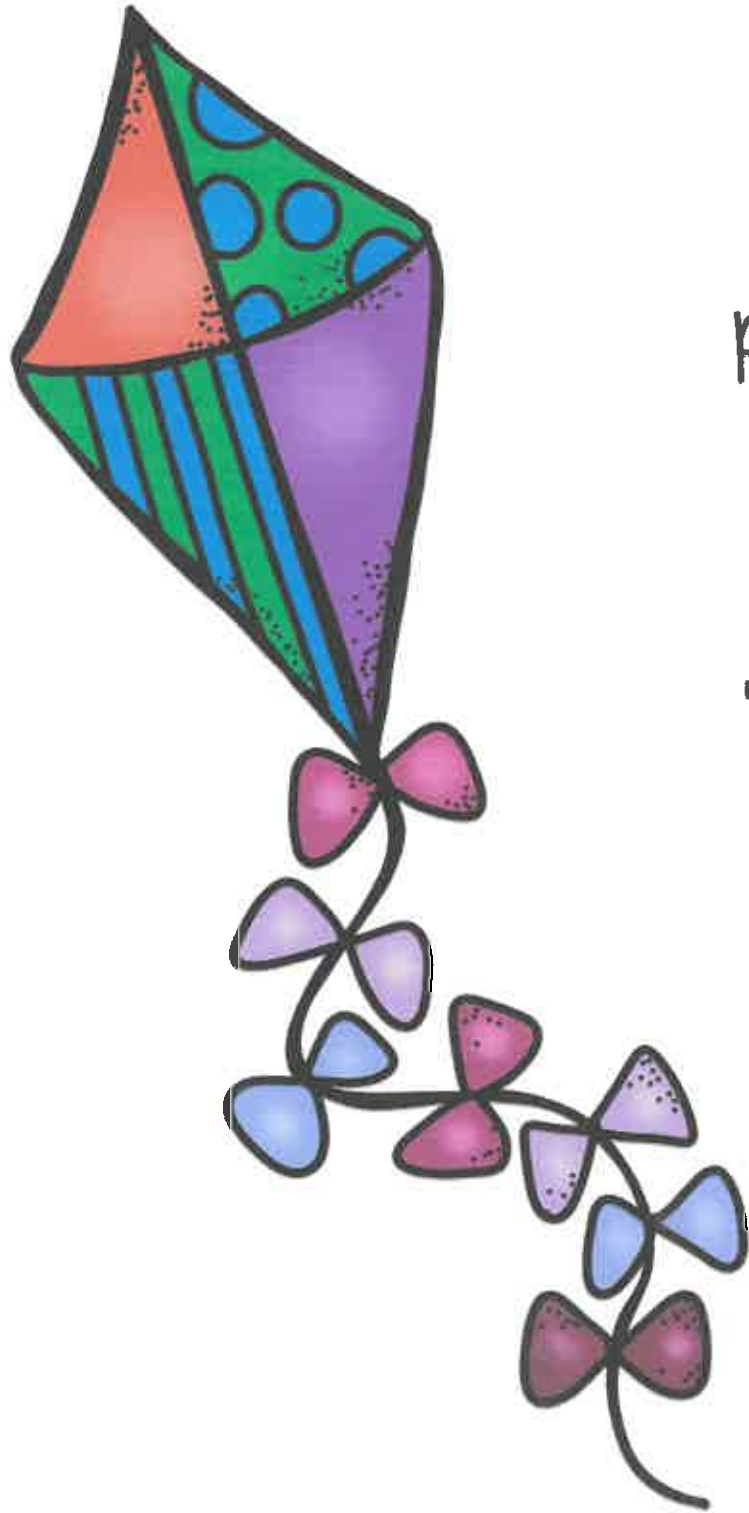
who gives _____

who fears _____

who would like _____

who lives _____

Acrostic



An *acrostic* poem is a form of poetry in which the **first letters** in the poem spell out a **word or phrase**.

Name _____

Acrostic Poetry

Shiny

Unbelievable

Nature's new beginning

Radiant

Iridescent

Sensational

Entrance to the day

Stunning

Unbelievable

Nature's palette

Shimmering

Exit of the sun

Terminates the day

Acrostic Poem

An Acrostic Poem is a poem that has one word going down, which is the main topic, and then other words going across that describe the main topic in more detail. They are easy poems to write because they don't have to rhyme, and you can use as little or as many words as you want.

Usually, the first letter of each line is capitalized. This makes it easier to see the word spelled out vertically down the page.

Example:

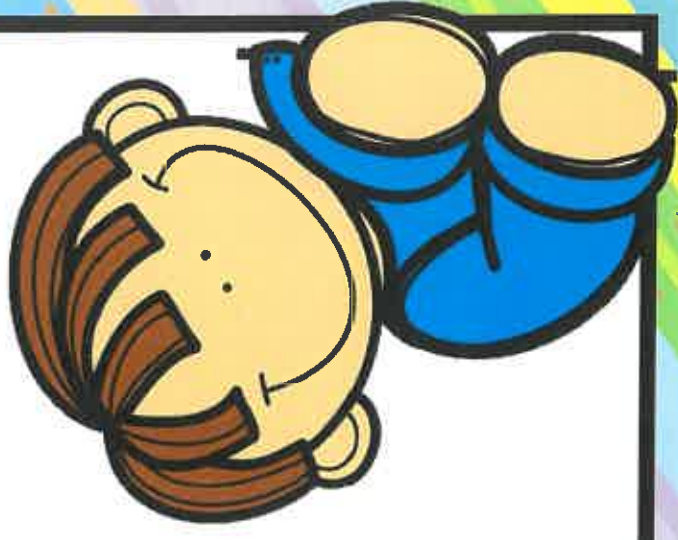
Builds amazing structures out of Legos

Loves reading chapter books

Awesome at math

Kind to others

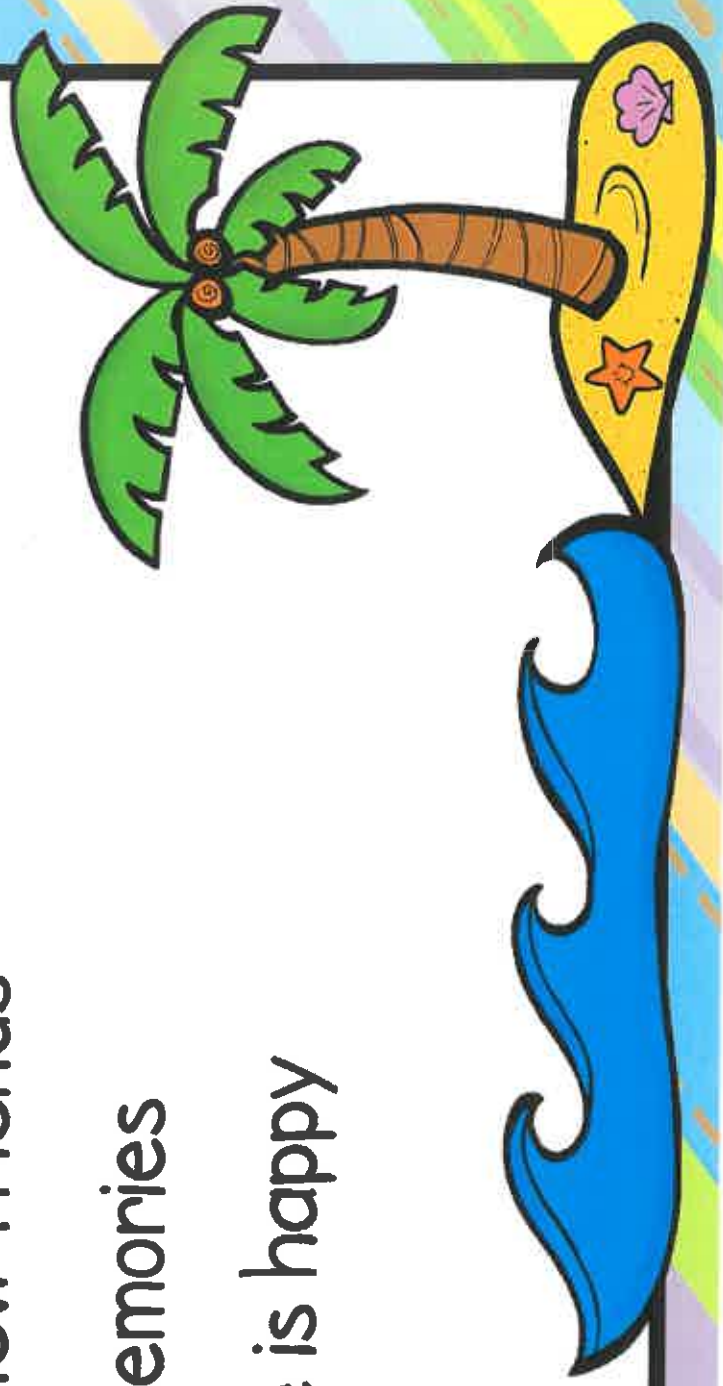
Everyone's friend!



Here is another example of an Acrostic Poem:

Swimming all day
Under the sun
Meeting new friends
Making memories
Everyone is happy
Relaxing

by: Mrs. Amaguer



Ideas for an Acrostic Poem:

- Your first name (and last name if you have room)
- Your favorite food (candy, ice cream, etc...)
- Your favorite season (Spring / Summer / Winter / Fall)
- Your favorite sport (soccer, baseball, football, etc.)
- Your favorite hobby (dancing, singing, reading, etc...)
- Someone you love (Mother, Father, Grandma, Grandpa)

The possibilities are endless! Have fun creating!

Our samples:

As a class, let's brainstorm some examples of acrostic poems together. Be sure that all of the phrases within the poem add to the idea of Spring.

Subject: **Seeds**

S	_____
E	_____
E	_____
D	_____
S	_____

Subject: **Rain**

R	_____
A	_____
I	_____
N	_____

Practice:

With a partner, write an acrostic in the space below. Be sure your poem is about the subject specified. If time, draw a picture to accompany your acrostic.

Subject: **Eggs**

Picture

E	_____	
G	_____	
G	_____	
S	_____	

Subject: **Grow**

Picture

G	_____	
R	_____	
O	_____	
W	_____	

S

P

R

I

N

G

Acrostic

Name _____

Introduction

Acrostic poetry begins with a word that you choose. This word is your topic word. You should use the letters in the topic word to make other words or phrases that tell about your topic. The topic word is written down the left side of the paper. Words that describe your topic word are written across the paper. Acrostics do not have to rhyme. There are no rules for how long a word should be or how many words you should use.

Instructions

1. Here is an example:

Silent
Object
Fluffy
To touch

What is the topic word? _____

2. Look at the topic word below. Write other words or phrases that tell about the topic word under each letter. Make sure each word begins with the same letter as the letter at the top of the column.

C	A	T
<i>cuddly</i>	<i>always active</i>	<i>timid</i>

3. Choose a word or phrase for each letter of the topic word from the table above or choose another word or phrase you like better. Use your word choices to write an acrostic for *cat*.

C _____

A _____

T _____

Name _____

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Instructions

1. Brainstorm a list of topic words. Write them in the space below.

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2. Choose a topic word above that has from three to six letters. Write the letters of the topic word across the columns, one letter for each column. Write as many words or phrases as you can think of that tell about the topic word under each letter. Make sure each word or phrase begins with the same letter as the letter at the top of the column.

3. Write an acrostic. Write your topic word down on the bold lines. (Your word can be from three to six letters long.) Choose a word or phrase for each letter of the topic word from those you listed in the table above. Then have a partner read your acrostic and tell the topic.

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Instructions

1. Brainstorm a list of four- to seven-letter topic words. Write them in the space below. Circle the one you want to use to write an acrostic poem.

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2. Brainstorm as many words or phrases as you can think of that tell about your topic. Circle those that start with a letter in your topic. If necessary, use a thesaurus to find a synonym for a word that matches a letter in your topic.

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_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Name: _____

Animal Voices

by Guy Belleranti

Mice squeak and pigeons coo.

Dogs bark and cattle moo.

Pigs oink and horses neigh.

Ducks quack and donkeys bray.



Hens cluck and wolves howl.

Whales sing and bears growl.

Cats meow and bees buzz.

Who croaks? A green frog does.

Crows caw and songbirds tweet.

Owls hoot and sheep bleat.

Snakes hiss and parrots squawk--

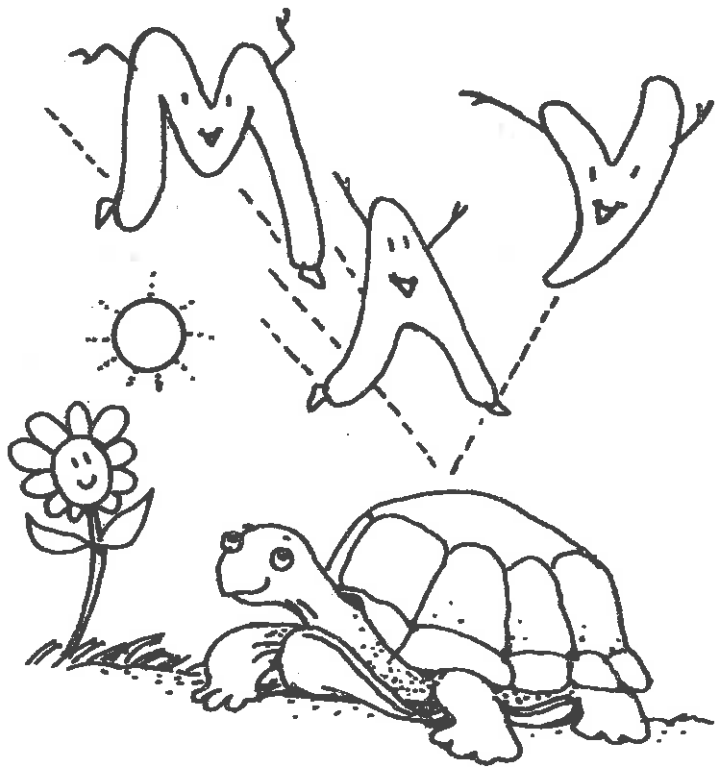
Animals sure can talk!



In May

In May I may go out,
may jump
and run
about—
may laugh and play
in merry May.
I may,
in May—
I may!

—Helen H. Moore

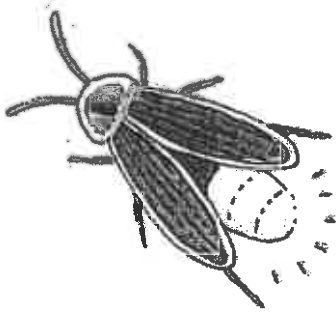


May I? I May

There are just three little letters
in the merry month of May.
There are just three little letters
but they have a lot to say.
They say a lot
because the month of May
is full of things:
In May we might see butterflies
just
trying on their wings,
or turtles hatching from their
eggs,
or kids who play on swings.
We have a lovely time in May
with all the fun it brings!

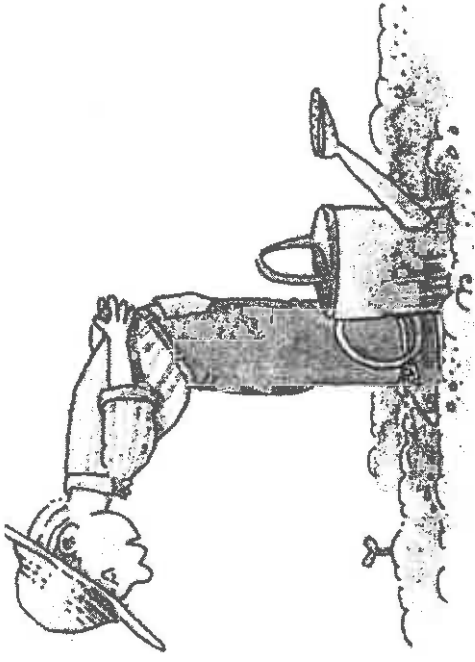
—Helen H. Moore





Fireflies

Tiny, twinkling stars
Play a game of hide-and-seek
by the backyard fence



Maytime Magic

A little seed
For me to sow . . .
A little earth
To make it grow . . .
A little hole,
A little pat . . .
A little wish,
And that is that.

Ladybug

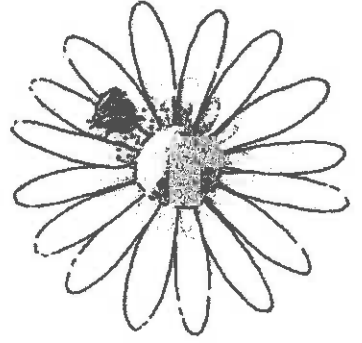
Look! A red raindrop
Shimmering on a daisy
Has sprouted wings!



Spider

Between two green stems
You spread your lace tablecloth
And prepare to dine

—Maria Fleming



A little sun,
A little shower . . .
A little while,
And then—a flower!

—Mabel Watts

I Would Love to Be a Horse

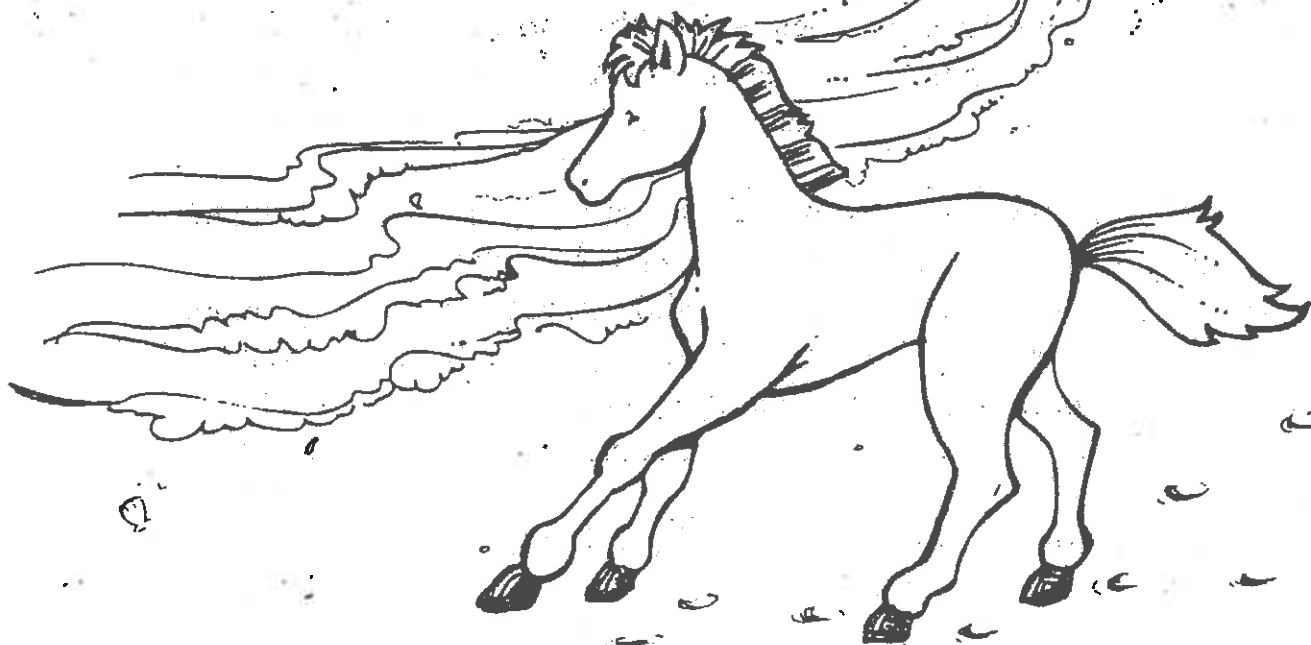
I would love to be a horse;
to race along the shore,
the wind in my mane.

I would love to be a horse;
to skim the sand
with beating hooves.

I would love to be a horse;
to rear up and challenge
the thundering surf.

Galloping below wild cliffs,
all my muscles would sing,
"I am alive."

—Linda Armstrong



Red Fox

As I slyly run down the path all you can see is a quick flash.
I have nine cubs in a litter when they're only young.
I guide their hunt.
Days go by.
Now it is their birthday.
I don't have to tear meat off the bone.

by Samara

Bears

Bears are
creatures that
slash their
mighty claws
to fish for
their prey
In the winter
they lie
like a rock
and wait
for the
dawn of spring

by Matthew

TECHNOLOGY

It would be technology
If
I wrote this poem on a computer.
It would be technology
If
Everything was digital.
It would be technology
If
People invented new things.
But...
I like the way the world is now.

Kittens

The kittens stretch, like a stretchy headband!
They go outside for some fresh air.
A fox sees them and the kittens run back,
Where it is safe.
Their owner picks them up
And lays them on her
Lap and they go to sleep.
MEOW!!

by Alaina

NIGHT

When the dark night freshly falls,
it becomes a light and you see what
you want to see.
Now you feel the breeze on your
face.
Now you see what you what
to see.
I stop in time and see
what I see what I see is
the baby birds
leaving their nest, and
now it is appealing.
The birds hatch
from their eggs.

The Moon

The Moon
comes up
like the Sun.
The Sun is
different
because it
is lighter.
The Moon
is like the
cold getting
dark.
It is so stunning.

Technology

You use it for school,
Work, and my favorite fun!!!
technology is
important in our lives.
So,
Next time you go
and say
technology is so not cool
read this poem and
think about
how cool
technology is.

by Stephanie

Dogs

I like dogs.
Dogs aren't shy and really should know why.
They can be a watch dog.
They are really the kind to play with.
A dog can also be your friend.

by Spencer

Getting Away

Don't let him get away
to the outer world
life is good the way it is
and he is part of it
he can go if he wants to
but he knows
it will not be the same
as it is in here
Don't let him get away
to the outer world
It is bad for him
He can go if he wants to
But it is good in hear
We like it
We like it in hear
If you want to go to the outer world
life will not be the same
And you will come back in
Oh Oh Oh Oh
You will come back
I know

The Chipmunk

The chipmunk dressed in White, Black and Brown,
Scurries for a berry.
He finds one
That he hid long ago.
He wanders off looking for a berry,
When it sees a weasel. The weasel sees it Back,
The weasel can taste the bone and flesh Right now.
The chipmunk scurries off with the
Weasel
Close behind
Him.
Then the
Weasel
Sees a butterfly
That scurries all about
It catches the weasel's
Attention
And the chipmunk eats a berry in
Peace.

TECHNOLOGY

Technology is a wonderful Use of time.
If it wasn't for Technology,
A lot
Of kids Would be bored.
I like to use Technology
For many, many things,
Like
Going on the computer, Listening to radios
And many more things.
On the Computer
You can
Search for things you do not Know,
You can
Write stories and poems,
Also,
You can
Have a good time
Playing games and having Fun!
I like Technology!

by Katherine

Owl

I am an owl
I am as old as the
hills,
as wise as the
wind,
I am an owl.
At night you might hear me calling
whooooo-whoooo!!!!
At night I give my pray a fright!
and then I swoop down
to catch my supper for a
midnight delight
I am a owl
Whooooooo-whooooooo

by Sam

Golden Retrievers

Here I lie under the
sun, my golden coat
shines as my wide face
look around for water
to play in.
At last I see water.
I run into the water my
water repellent coat
helps me through the
cold .
my master comes and
takes me home and dries me off.
I go out to hunt
for some prey, like fish and
squirrels. I am
sure to watch out for
bears and hunters that may
hurt me.
It is starting to get cold,
but my warm coat keeps me warm.

by Sharon Lynn

Berkley

Black as midnight,
Bad as the devil
With eyes like pieces of dark chocolate,
He thinks he's king of the world,
My dog Berkley.
He's very much like a pig
With his pudgy stomach and all.
Like a leech, he's always attached
To his next meal.

Even though he's as bad as the devil,
Berkley is my best fellow.

Stars

They are like flashlights in the night sky;
God's little helpers guiding us on our journeys.
Stars are as bright as a lighthouse on an icy, ocean night;
they are like guardians committed to bringing you home.

Birds

Chirping non-stop, like a machine in the trees,
Building their nest like little worker bees.
They sing their songs, like chatter-boxes.
As regular as alarm clocks,
Waking people up each day.
They are silent at night,
Like snakes advancing on prey.

My Cat

Eyes like a green-yellow crayon,
Almost as bright as a ripe orange.
My cat rules my heart and my actions.
I am as a puppet on strings
When he purrs against me
Like I am a warm blanket heating him in the cold.

My Friend

She is as crazy as a rooster;
Still I love her like a sister.
Her hair is black and dark
Like the color of the midnight sky.
Her skin is as pale as flour
Placing her among the Twilight vampires.

Stairs

I

climb.

Every day.

A different priority.

Slowly making progress

toward success, success, success.

No time to stop, to rest, to appreciate

the small things around me-the air, the flowers,

even the people I meet are standing in the way of
the climb.

a
sp
arkle
way up
high one
to make all
your wishes upon
high in the nighttime sky blinking like a broken
traffic light shining above us like a canopy
with holes punched in it growing bright
each night we look up at them
in amazement they hold our
hopes and dreams their twinkles
twinkle assures us that very
thing will be alright
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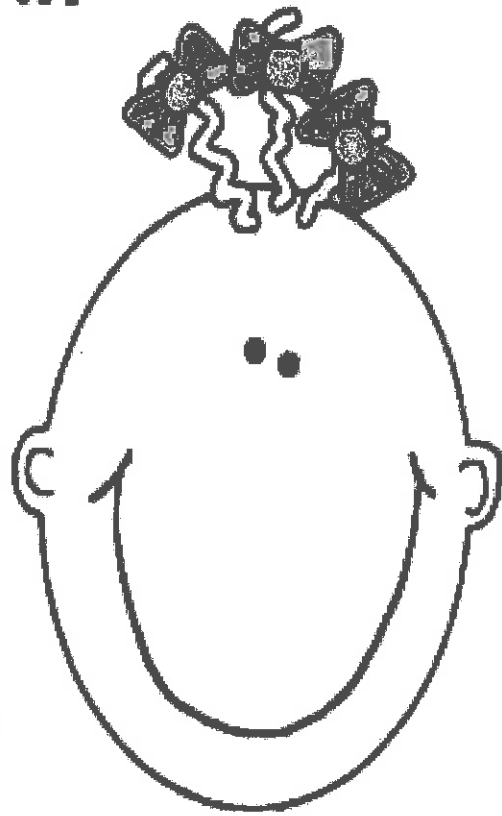
It's
 cold outside.
 I don't want to go
 outdoors and play.
 But mum says
 I have to
 anyway.
 It's starting to snow
 and I'm going to freeze -
 brrrr... I hate playing outside on days like these. brrrr...
 brrrr... But wait a sec, I've had the most amazing, brilliant idea! brrrr...
 I'll cover myself up
 with snow and I'll
 hide in here!

fox

do not forget about the trees swaying, blanketing the ground in fresh
 new clothes of gold
 and red, covering the den with whimsy. And oh, how
 the sun shines through the trees, wishing to touch your fur...
 mimics the gentle wind
 soft cozy breathing that
 sleeping dreamer
 sounds hum all around
 quiet and peaceful

I Like

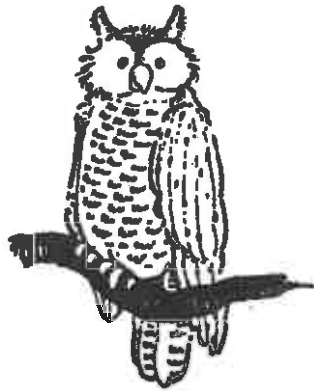
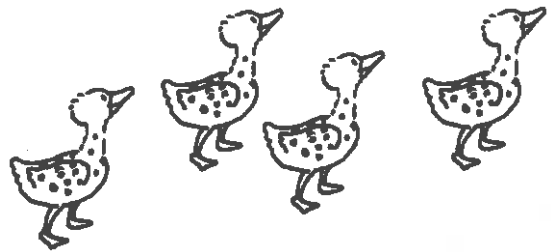
I like sunshine.
I like snow.
I like brown leaves
When they blow.
I like cookies.
I like cake.
I like waffles
When I wake.
I like collies.
I like cats.
I like clowns
In funny hats.
I like baseball.
I like trains.
I like sleeping
When it rains.
I like stories at bedtime.
I like poems when they rhyme!



Runaway Ducks

Four little ducks went out one day,
Over the hill and far away.
Mother duck said,
"Quack, quack, quack, quack!"
And the four little ducks
Came quacking back!

—Author Unknown



The Owl Cheer

H is for hearing the sound of night.
O is for owl eyes, shining so bright!
O is for owlets, all safe in their nests.
T is for talons—beware, owl guests!

Put them together and what do they spell?
It's the song of the owl we know so well!
So sing to the owls, call out your salute—
In the forest at night, you might hear a... HOOT!

—Pamela Chanko

Owl Eyes

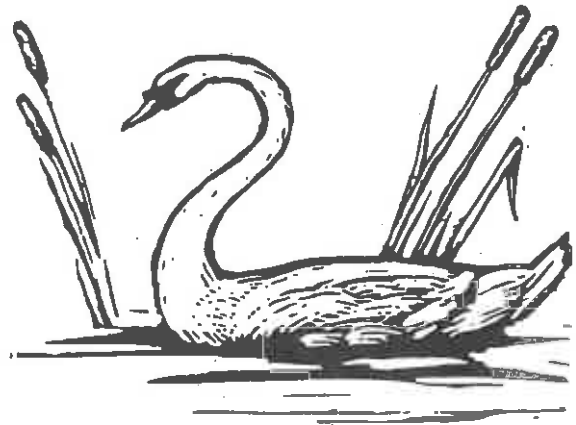
Owl eyes,
Owl eyes,
What do you see,
As you fly through the night,
So silent and free?
You see in the darkness,
You sleep in the day,
At night you go hunting,
In feathers brown and grey.

—Helen H. Moore

Graceful Swan

Graceful in the water,
Graceful in the sky,
Moving, oh, so gracefully,
The swan is gliding by.

—Meish Goldish



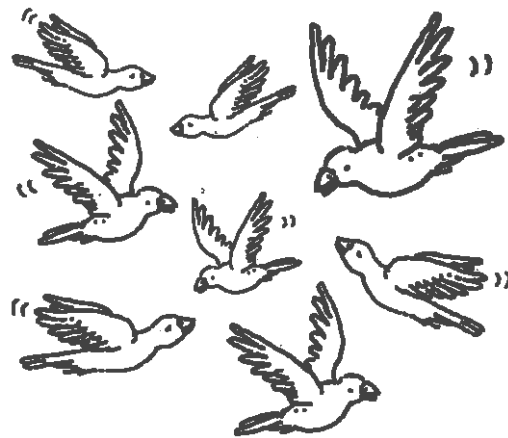


Birds, Birds, Birds

So Many Birds

Birds in the sky, in the lake, in the tree,
So many birds for you to see!
Mockingbird, blue jay, robin, sparrow,
Cardinal, oriole, swift as an arrow!
Bobolink, chickadee, bullfinch, crow,
Warbler, raven, watch them go!
Meadowlark, blackbird, nightingale, thrush,
Birds in a bush, and birds in the brush.
Woodpecker, hummingbird, osprey, owl,
Chicken and turkey (known as fowl).
Duck in the water, dove in the sky,
Ostrich and penguin, which don't even fly!
Swan and pelican, puffin and goose,
Buzzard and eagle on the loose.
Stork and heron with long thin legs,
Hawk and falcon, guarding their eggs.
Albatross, vulture, peacock, pheasant,
Birds that are wild, birds that are pleasant.
Birds in the sky, in the lake, in the tree,
So many birds for you to see!

—Melsh Goldish



Migration

What calendar,
What compass,
Do birds own

That lets them know

It's time
To go?

—Helen H. Moore

There Was a Little Robin

There was a little robin
Sat singing in a tree;
From early morn till dark he sang—
"The world was made for me!"

—*Wilhelmina Seegmuller*



Sing, Little Bird

Sing, little bird, when the skies are blue,
Sing, for the world has need of you,
Sing when the skies are overcast,
Sing when the rain is falling fast.

Sing, happy heart, when the sun is warm,
Sing in the winter's coldest storm,
Sing, little songs, O heart so true,
Sing, for the world has need of you.

—*Author Unknown*

Penguin

Penguin cold and
Penguin cute,
Waddling in your
Penguin suit!

Laying eggs and
Swimming fast,
Penguins, penguins,
Have a blast!

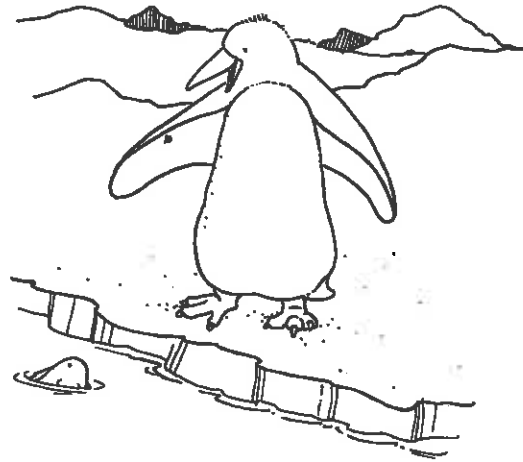
—*Helen H. Moore*



Best-Dressed Bird

The penguin's a bird that cannot fly
But can swim like a torpedo.
And on the ice
It looks so nice
Dressed in its own tuxedo!

—*Meish Goldish*



Parrots

Red and blue and orange and green,
Parrots have feathers like you've never seen!
The white-feathered cockatoo's a friendly fellow,
Wearing a beautiful crown of yellow!
The scarlet macaw is a bird to hail
With an orange-red, long, and very straight tail!
The rainbow lorikeet flies quite high
And looks like a rainbow in the sky!

—*Meish Goldish*

The Eagle

The eagle is a noble bird
With features bald and bold.
It soars with pride
On wings so wide,
With beak and claws of gold.

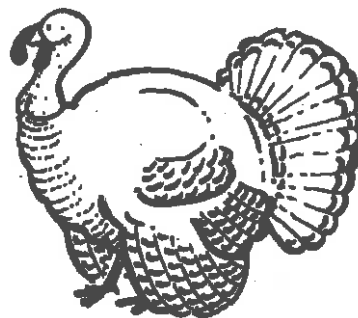
The eagle is our nation's bird,
Flying proud and free.
If I could fly
Up in the sky,
An eagle's what I'd be!

—*Meish Goldish*

Gobble, Gobble, Gobble!

The turkey likes to walk about,
Wobble, wobble, wobble.
He also likes to talk a lot—
Gobble, gobble, gobble!

—*Megan Duhamel*



First Girls in Little League Baseball

By J. Patrick Lewis

The year was 1974
When Little Leaguers learned the score.
President Ford took out his pen,
And signed a law that said from then
On women too would have the chance
To wear the stripes and wear the pants.
Now what you hear, as flags unfurl,
Is "Atta boy!" and "Atta girl!"

Basketball's my favorite sport.
I dribble up and down the court.
The ball goes bouncing off my toes
and beams the teacher on the nose.
He stumbles back and grabs his nose
and hits the wall and down he goes.
The other players stop and stare.
They've never heard the teacher swear.
With no one playing anymore,
I grab the ball. I shoot. I score.
I love this game! It's so much fun.
The teacher cried, but, hey—we won.

--Kenn Nesbitt

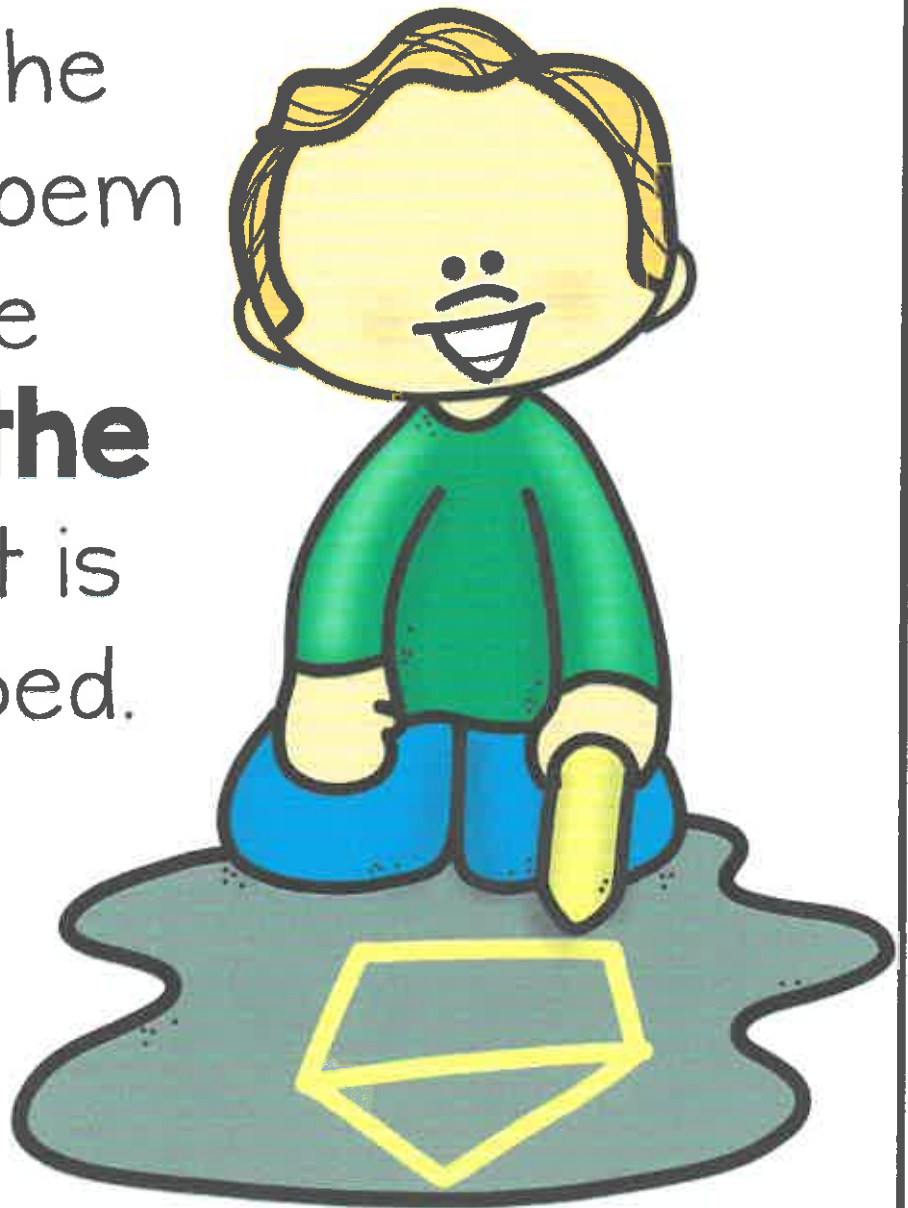
Football

- by Amy S. Fowler -

This GAME will give you quite a Thrill,
in Summer's heat or Autumn's chill,
Popping pads and pounding feet,
Will lead to our opponents' defeat.
A taste of sweat, hit after hit,
The offense and defense never quit,
Move the ball and stop the RUN,
Let's show our fans who's # 1.

Shape Poem

A *shape poem* is a type of poem that **describes** an object. The lines of the poem take on the **shape of the object** that is being described.



Shape Poem Examples

Clouds

Rain clouds bring hope and new beginnings for spring. It is a time of newness and rejuvenation. Rain clouds are the best of all clouds in the spring. They help the green grass grow. Rain clouds are the hope for a great spring.

Flowers are beautiful. They are bright and colorful and bring a nice flare to spring. They are pretty and show up after stormy weather. They are a nice part to spring. and I love each of them

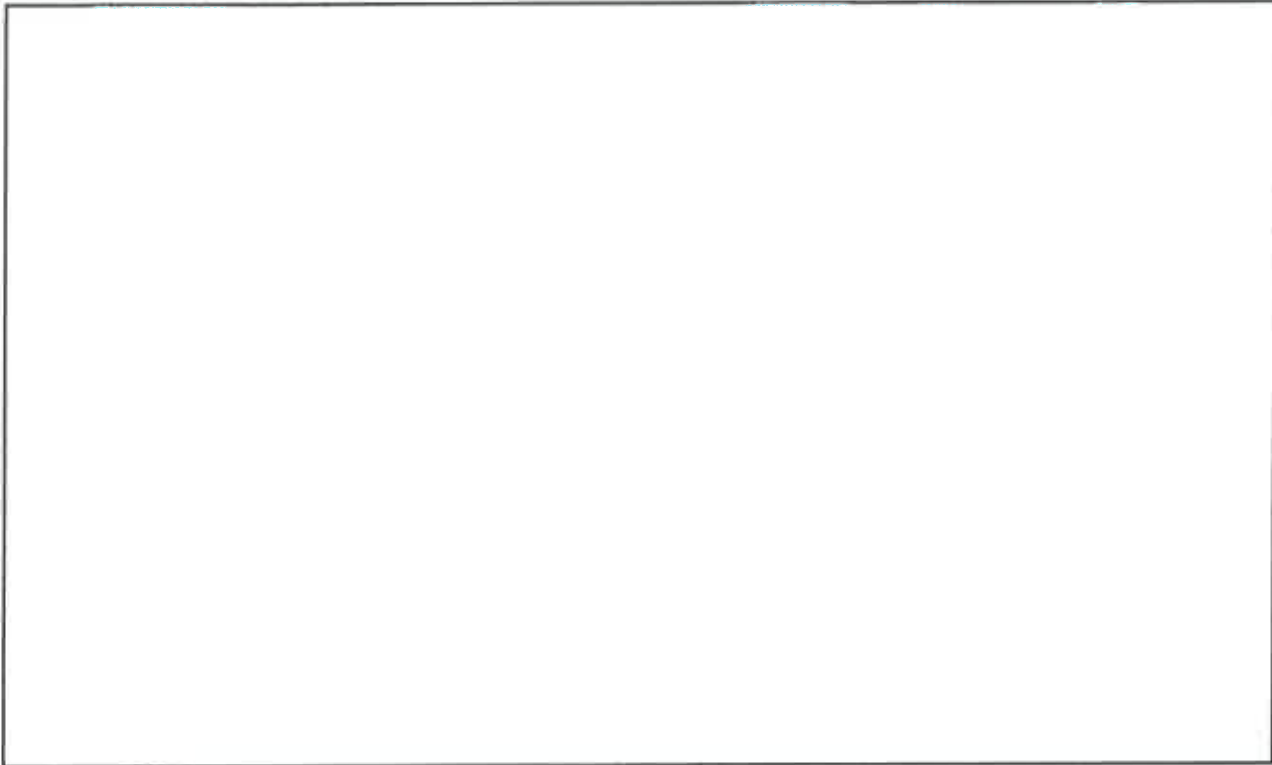
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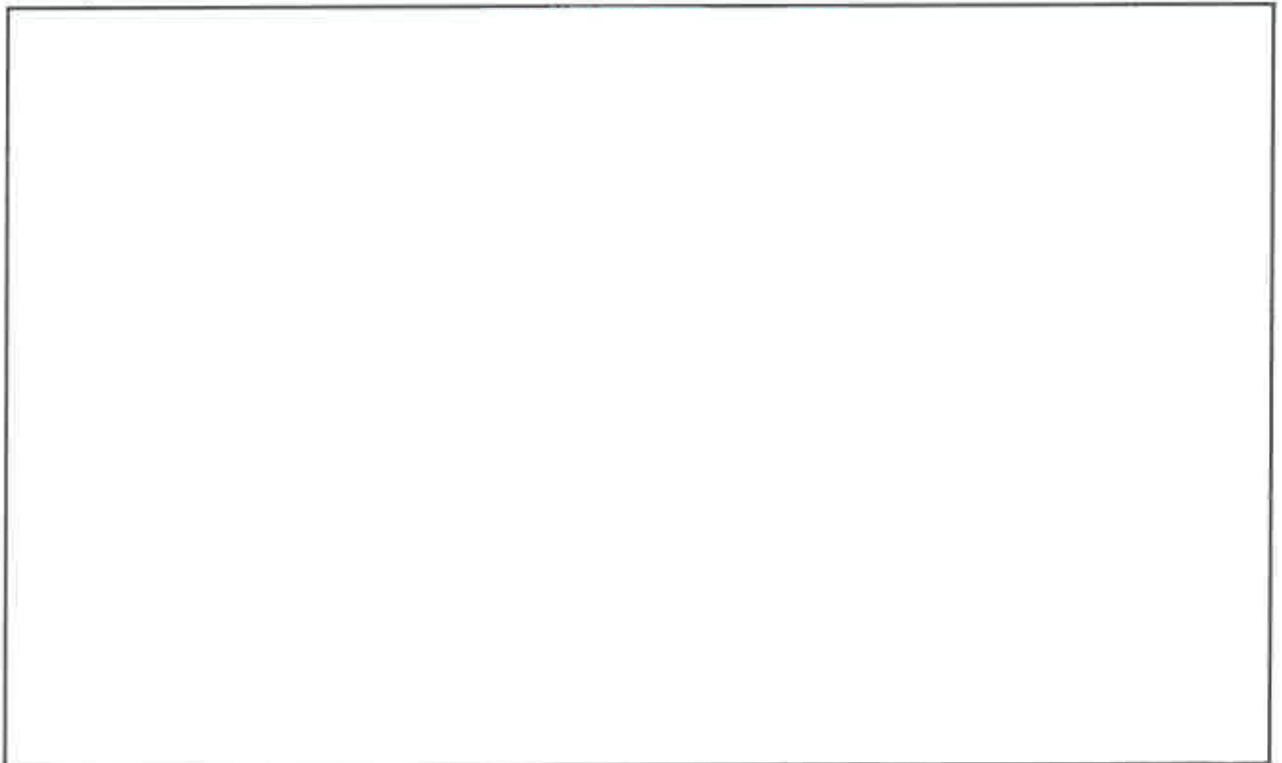
Shape Poem

Directions: You will write three of your own spring themed shape poem in the space below... Be sure to follow the correct shape pattern. You should try to convey a mood or emotion associated with spring...

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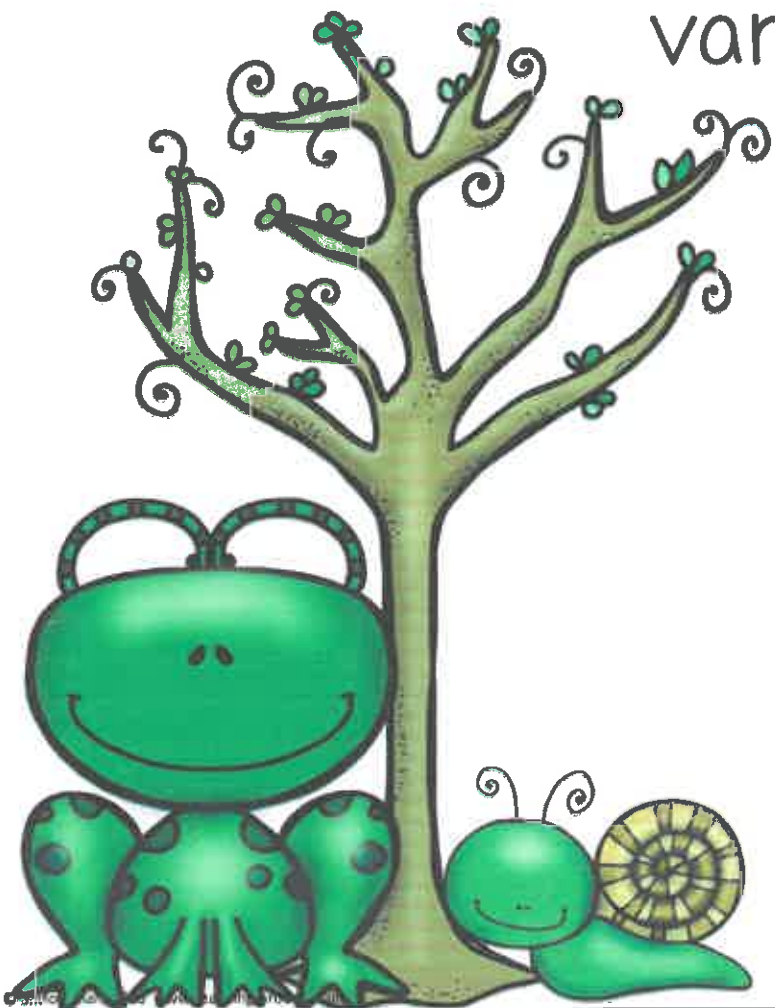


Subject:



Color Poem

A *color poem* is a non-rhyming poem that **describes** a specific color using **similes** and the **five senses**. The poem uses vivid adjectives and varied descriptions.



Structure:

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- Line 2: tastes like
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- Line 4: sounds like
- Line 5: feels like
- Line 6: looks like
- Line 7: Simile

Definition

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Examples

Red is like a kite flying in the breeze.
Red tastes sweet, spicy, ripe, and creamy.
It smells of hot spring days.
Red is loud and raging and rambunctious.
It is hard and smooth at the same time.
Red is bright, dangerous, and jarring.
Red is as hot as the sun in May.

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Color Poem Examples

Green is like waves upon the lawn.
It sits on my tongue like a welcome breeze.
Green smells of freshness and new beginnings
Green is the sound of life.
It feels soft and prickly and new.
It looks welcoming and reassuring.
Green is as wonderful as a new pair of shoes.

Pink is as bright as the sunshine on my face.
Pink tastes of candy, ice cream, and lollipops.
Pink is the smell of wonder and sweetness.
It sounds like popping and twirling and whizzing.
Pink feels soft, fluffy, and sticky.
Pink looks like daybreak.
Pink is like a Ferris wheel spinning round and round.

Yellow is like a new chick emerging from its egg.
It is the taste of new beginnings and warm vanilla cake
Yellow smells of the farm and breakfast in the early morning.
It is a chicken squawking and an egg sizzling.
Yellow feels soft and fluffy when I hold it in my hands.
It is round and squishy as I look at it.
Yellow is like the daybreak after dawn.

Color Poem

Directions: You will write three of your own spring themed color poems in the space below... Be sure to follow the correct line pattern. You should try to convey a mood or emotion associated with the color of spring. Include vivid descriptions. You may then illustrate each of the poems in the space provided.

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