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Shape Poems

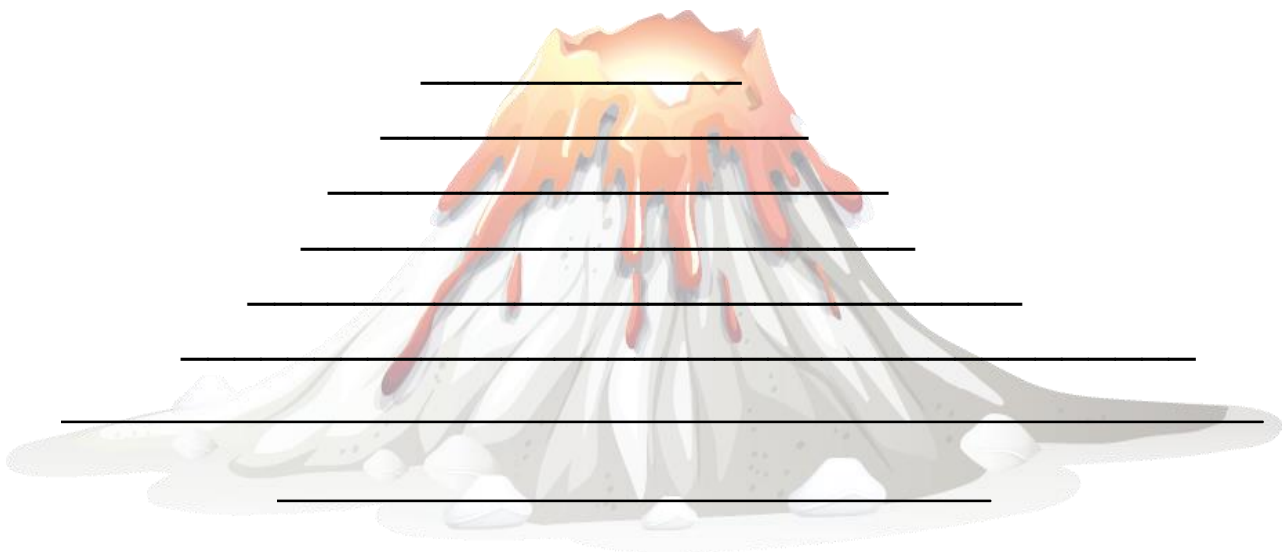
A shape poem is a type of poetry that describes an object and is shaped the same as the object the poem is describing.



Read and copy this shape poem.

Drip,
Drip, drop,
Trickling down
The window slowly.
Pitter, patter, faster and
Faster, until it's pouring.
Suddenly, a loud crack of
Thunder! Now the rain
Is like a noisy
Waterfall.

Now make up your own poem about a volcano in the shape below.



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Haiku Poems

A Haiku is a Japanese poem which has 3 lines and 17 syllables which do not need to rhyme.

Copy these Haiku Poems in your best handwriting:

Snow

In the cold winter (5 syllables)

Having fun in the deep snow (7 syllables)

Sliding on my sledge. (5 syllables)



Ice Cream

Melting down my arm (5)

A yummy, sweet and sticky mess (8)

Icy cold ice cream. (4)

Try writing your own Haiku poem about your favourite food.

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Kennings Poems

A Kenning is a two-word phrase used to describe something. A Kennings poem is made up of several lines of Kennings to describe something or someone.

Copy this Kennings poem in your best handwriting.

My dog

Mud collector _____

Sock chewer _____

Mess maker _____

Puddle swimmer _____

Cat chaser _____

Soggy shaker _____

Always there, _____

Loyal friend, _____

My dog. _____



Try writing your own Kennings poem about someone in your family.

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Riddles

A riddle is a type of poem that describes something without actually naming what it is, leaving the reader to guess.

Copy these riddles in your best handwriting:

I come in all colours,
I can keep you dry,
I don't like wind,
I can fold away,
What am I?

Answer: An umbrella

I am orange and black,
I have stripes,
Sharp claws and teeth,
I live in the jungle,
What am I?

Answer: A tiger

Make up a riddle and see if your friend can guess what you are describing.



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Limericks

A limerick is a silly, nonsense poem with five lines. Limericks were made famous by Edward Lear, who wrote the 'Book of Nonsense' in the 1800's. This was a whole book of silly limericks.

How to write a limerick:

A limerick has 5 lines. Lines 1, 2 and 5 rhyme with each other and have 8 or 9 syllables. Lines 3 and 4 rhyme with each other and 5 or 6 syllables.

Copy this limerick by Edward Lear:

There was an old man called Greg,

Who tried to break open an egg,

He kicked it around,

But fell on the ground,

And found that he'd broken a leg.

Have a go at writing your own limerick in your handwriting book or on the back of this page.

