

Types of Poetry

1. Some poems have **end rhyme**. These lines end with words that have the same vowel sounds and the same final consonants.
2. **Approximate rhymes** are "almost rhymes." These words rhyme using:
 - **Alliteration** (the same beginning consonant sound)
 - **Assonance** (the same vowel sound but different ending consonants)
 - **Consonance** (different vowel sounds, but one or more of the same consonant)
3. Some poems rhyme within the lines. This is called **internal rhyme**
4. Some poems are written in **free verse**, with no set pattern of rhythm or rhyme.
5. The placement of a poem's words can make a picture. This is called **pattern or shape poetry**.
6. **Haiku** is a poetic form and type of poetry from the Japanese culture. Haiku poets, which you soon will be, write about common everyday things. Usually they use simple words. The most common form of Haiku is three short lines that do not rhyme and seventeen syllables.
 - The first line usually contains five syllables
 - The second line contains seven syllables
 - The third line five contains five syllablesHaiku must "paint" a mental image in the reader's mind.
7. A **limerick** is a funny, little poem containing five lines. They are sometimes referred to as nonsense poetry.

The first, second and last lines rhyme. The third and fourth line rhyme.