

Learn Poetry with the Weather Wizard!

Can you identify rhyming techniques in the Weather Wizard's seasonal poem?

Student Introduction

- ▶ This resource will help you to practise your poetry-related skills in reading and writing
- ▶ Can you work out how the wizard has constructed his poem?
- ▶ Using your imagination, can you write your own poem?



TASK:

Read the Wizard's poem below and then respond to the questions on pages 2 and 3.

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*The hedgehog shows his face and smiles
At last it must be spring.*



*The sunshine and the flowers
Bring out the Busy Bee
I think he's making honey,
Especially for my tea.*



*Autumn's here with berries ripe
And leaves of gold and red
I wonder where the dormouse is?
He's snoring in his bed.*



*The snow is falling thick and fast,
The icicles are freezing,
So wrap up well in winter clothes
Or soon you will be sneezing!*

1. The poem uses **rhyme** throughout. Can you **identify the pairs of rhyming words** in each stanza?

Stanza 1: Spring

1.

2.

Stanza 2: Summer

1.

2.

Stanza 3: Autumn

1.

2.

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2. Can you identify which **rhyme scheme** has been used by the Weather Wizard?

Tick the relevant box.

AABB CCDD EEFF GGHH

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ABCD EFGH IJKL MNOP

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ABCB DEFE GHIH JKLI

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ABAB CDCD EFEF GHGH

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ABAA CDCC EFEE GHGG

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3. What **effect** does using this rhyme scheme create?

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Writing: Craft your own weather poem!

- ▶ You can choose to either recreate the Weather Wizard's poem about each season, OR you can choose one season and focus on that one.
- ▶ Use the space on the right to plan ideas for key words you'd like to use in your poem.
- ▶ Remember: even though the Weather Wizard's poem uses rhyme, you can write a poem without it if you wish.
- ▶ Use the space below to draft your poem, and then you can transfer it onto paper or into your book when you are happy with it.

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