

Poetry

Key Vocabulary

Rhyme - words with similar sounding final sounds

Rhythm - patterns that make things easier to remember

Line breaks - to help slow down the reader

Simile - tells the reader that something is **like or as** something else

Imagery - helps the reader to form an image in their mind

Verse - a group of lines



Pussy Cat, Pussy Cat
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Where have you been?
I've been to London
To visit the Queen

Pussy Cat Pussy Cat
What did you there?
I frightened a little mouse
Under a chair!

Does your poem

- have a title?
- use rhyming words?
- stack the lines on top of each other?
- use a capital letter at the start of every line?
- group lines into verses?

Core Knowledge

- Poetry is like art, but with words!
 - As you read a poem, timing, rhythm and pauses are very important to how it sounds
- Poems are made up of short lines, stacked up on top of each other
- Poems have lines that are grouped into verses
- Poems sometimes have words that rhyme
- A simile is a useful tool to use in a poem as it helps to create imagery in the reader's mind

