

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?



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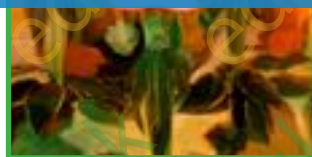
Read the Wizard's poem below and then respond to the questions on pages 2 and 3.

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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

ABCD EFGH IJKL MNOP

ABCB DEFE GHIH JKLK

ABAB CDCD EFEF GHGH

ABAA CDCC EFEE GHGG

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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