

# Poetry Scavenger Hunt

1a. Describe the pattern for a Haiku poem. <http://www.kidzone.ws/poetry/haiku.htm>

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1b. Haiku is often about what topic? \_\_\_\_\_

1c. Haiku began in what country? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Enjoy some of the haiku written by children. Write down your favorite and **tell why** you like it.

<http://www.abcteach.com/Contributions/HaikuContest.htm>

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3a. Judith Viorst has written fiction and nonfiction for children and adults. *If I Were in Charge of the World and Other Worries* . . . is a book of her poetry that we have in our library. Five of the poems from the book are on this webpage. <http://www.poets.org/poet.php/prmPID/61>

Which is your favorite? Why? \_\_\_\_\_

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3b. How many books do we have by Judith Viorst in the Clifdale library? How many are poetry

books? # Books \_\_\_\_\_ # Poetry Books \_\_\_\_\_

4. How many lines are in a limerick? List 3 facts about limericks. Try completing the limerick that starts, "There once was a pauper named Meg." Just write the words, not the whole limerick.  
<http://www.poetry4kids.com/blog/lessons/how-to-write-a-limerick/>

# Lines \_\_\_\_\_

Fact 1. \_\_\_\_\_

Fact 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Fact 3. \_\_\_\_\_

There once was a pauper named Meg

Who accidentally broke her \_\_\_\_\_.

She slipped on the \_\_\_\_\_.

Not once, but thrice

Take no pity on her, I \_\_\_\_\_.

5a. Jack Prelutsky writes great poetry for kids. Where does he get his ideas? (hint: you have to scroll down the page) [http://teacher.scholastic.com/writewit/poetry/jack\\_meet.htm](http://teacher.scholastic.com/writewit/poetry/jack_meet.htm)

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5b. Write the title and call number of one Jack Prelutsky book that is in the Clifdale library.

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6a. What is a couplet? <http://www.underdown.org/poetry-formats.htm>

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6b. Read some of the couplets. Now try to write one of your own!

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7a. Is there a poet who is called Mother Goose?  
<http://school.eb.com/levels/elementary/article/353496>

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7b. .Go to the website and open the book. Choose the top link. [Read this book online: HTML](#)

<http://www.gutenberg.org/files/10607/10607-h/10607-h.htm>

What was the original copyright date of this book? \_\_\_\_\_

7c. Use A LIST OF THE RHYMES.

Find the poem, "The Three Sons."

What are the names of the three sons? \_\_\_\_\_

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8. How many lines are in a Cinquain? [http://www.abcteach.com/free/h/howto\\_cinquain.pdf](http://www.abcteach.com/free/h/howto_cinquain.pdf)

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9. If you have time, go to the following website and write a poem online using one of the forms on the left.<http://ettcweb.lr.k12.nj.us/forms/newpoem.htm>