

Independent Information Guide

THE POETRY BUS

POETRY COMPETITION FOR 5-7 YEAR-OLDS

Transport your child's imagination anywhere with The Poetry Bus!

It's time to hop aboard for a poetry adventure, where will your young writer choose to go?
From transport & travel or people who help us to pirates, Arctic animals or superheroes,
The Poetry Bus is your vehicle for engaging your little learner.

Check out the video that introduces the activity: [LINK TO FOLLOW](#)

Poetry Glossary

Here are 3 poetry types that are ideal for 5-7 year-olds:

Acrostic Poem

It's a type of poem where usually the first letters in a line spell out a word.

E.g.

Tom is very kind, he always lets me play games with him.
Orange is the colour of Tom's hair, I think it's cool.
My best friend is Tom, he's tall, funny and clever.

Riddle Poem

A riddle poem is made up of clues so the reader has to guess the answer:

E.g.

I am a milk drinker,
I chase frogs and bats,
My best friend is magic,
I like to play in the night-time,
I can make a noise like an engine rumbling,
I am soft and smooth but I can scratch,
Who am I?

Answer: A cat

Sense Poem

A sense poem uses sight, sound, touch, taste, smell and colour to describe something:

E.g.

Happiness smells sweet like birthday cake
Happiness looks bright like the sun
Happiness sounds cheerful like my mum singing
Happiness feels lovely like a big hug
Happiness tastes yummy like sausages
Happiness is yellow like a warm hug.

Inspiration Station

- Weather
- History
- Idols
- Outer Space
- Holidays/Trips/Travel
- Favourite Thing
- Animals / Pets
- Seasons
- Friends
- Pirates/Under the sea
- Hobbies

It's Easy To Take Part

1. Print off the independent entry form / download a Word Doc entry form (so no printer needed) to write your poem. Poems can be on any theme and written in any poetry style.
2. Write/type your entry and email it to competitions@youngwriters.co.uk



Closing Date: Friday 22nd October 2021

Prizes for pupils

Our favourite 5 x published poets each win a creative writing goody bag.

(Winners will be chosen from entries received in the Autumn Term 2021)



Plus

Every entrant receives a bookmark. A certificate of merit for all young writers chosen for publication!

You can view our most recent winners here:
www.youngwriters.co.uk/competitions/winners

The goody bag contents may differ to photo.