

# Poet-Tree

Writing Poems About Trees

## Cinquain

A cinquain poem consists of 5 lines. Each line has a specific purpose and fixed number of syllables: (1) the title in two syllables, (2) a description of the title in four syllables, (3) a description of action in six syllables, (4) a description of feeling in eight syllables, and (5) another word for the title in two syllables.

EXAMPLE

*Earth Worms*

*Squiggly squirmers*

*Aerating our topsoil*

*Happily helping our garden*

*Crawlers*

## Acrostic

In acrostic poetry the first letter in each line, when read vertically, spells out the name of something or conveys some other type of message.

EXAMPLE

**R**ecycle

**E**arth

**C**lean up the ocean

**Y**our future

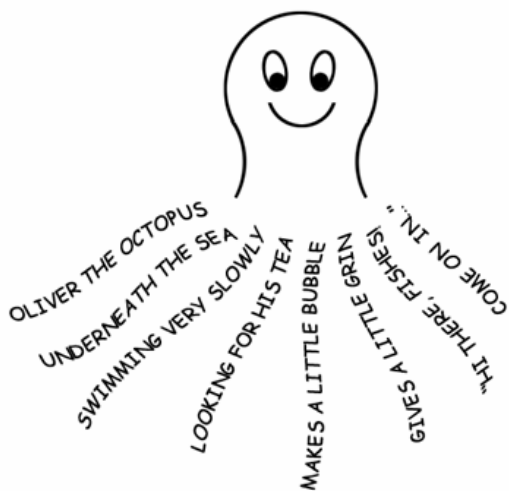
**C**lean up the coast

**L**eave everything better off for

**E**veryone

## Shape

The words in shape poetry (or concrete poetry) form a picture of what is happening in the poem.



## Windspark

A windspark poem has five lines with the following pattern: (1) "I dreamed," (2) "I was....." (something or someone), (3) where, (4) an action, and (5) how.

EXAMPLE

*I dreamed*

*I was a raindrop*

*dancing in the sky*

*falling to water plants*

*happily*