

Poetry

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oaq3gzwei0>



Michael Rosen is a really fun poet.

Some of his poems rhyme and a lot don't.

I have included a fun one that rhymes – just so you can see if you can pick up on the patterns, and for a bit of fun.

He has a YouTube Channel if you would like to take a look.

The Little Plant

In the heart of a seed,

Buried deep so deep,

A tiny plant

Lay fast asleep.

"Wake," said the sunshine,

"And creep to the light."

"Wake," said the voice

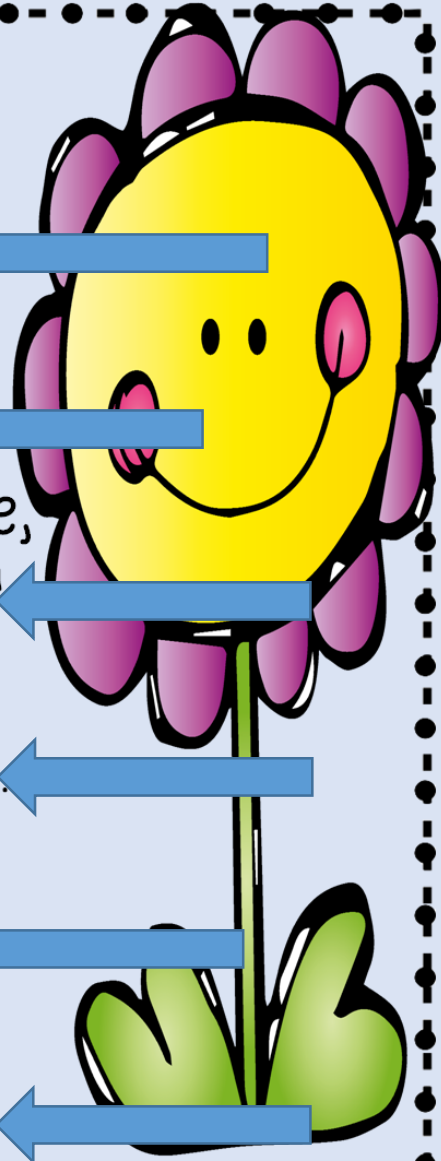
Of the raindrops bright.

The little plant heard

And it rose to see,

What the wonderful,

Outside world might be.



Only the 2 , 4, 6, 8, 10 , 12
lines rhyme

Deep – asleep

Light – bright

See – be

The lines are not in
sentences, but in a structure
that allows the poem to
flow.



You use a lot of rhyming poems without thinking about it –
here are a few

The Itsy Bitsy Spider


The itsy bitsy spider
Climbed up the waterspout
Down came the rain
And washed the spider out.
Out came the sun
And dried up all the rain
So the itsy bitsy spider
Climbed up the spout again!



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One, Two, Three, Four, Five


One, two, three, four, five,
Once I caught a fish alive,
six, seven, eight, nine, ten,
Then I let it go again.
Why did you let it go?
Because it bit my finger so.
Which finger did it bite?
This little finger on the right.



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Pat-a-Cake


Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake, baker's man.
Bake me a cake as fast as you can,
Pat it and prick it and mark it with B,
And bake it in the oven for
baby and me.



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**There Was an Old Woman
Who Lived in a Shoe**

There was an old woman
who lived in a shoe.
She had so many children,
she didn't know what to do.
She gave them some broth
without any bread,
Then whipped them all
soundly and put them to bed.



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Let's look at some rhyming words – what can you think of to go with the words?

Love

Shoe



Fade

Orange

It is the phonetically sound of the word that you are rhyming, so it does not have to be spelt the same.

Love – glove, dove, shove



Shoe – new, boo, two, loo, poo

Fade – shade, tirade, made, laid

Orange – haha tricked you! You can't rhyme orange with a word

How might you add lines to this poem –

The nice old lady
From sixty- **two**
Ran out of her door

She sounded so shocked
When she shouted, "**BEWARE!**"
We all turned around

We threw her some rope
And she tied it so **tight**
We heaved her up

Her knickers on show
And her wig **scew-wiffed**
It really was no wonder



This is what I did –

The nice old lady

From sixty- two

Ran out of her door

And into a zoo

She sounded so shocked

When she shouted, “BEWARE!”

We all turned around

just so we could stare

We threw her some rope

And she tied it so tight

We heaved her up

It was a terrible sight

Her knickers on show

And her wig scew-wiffed

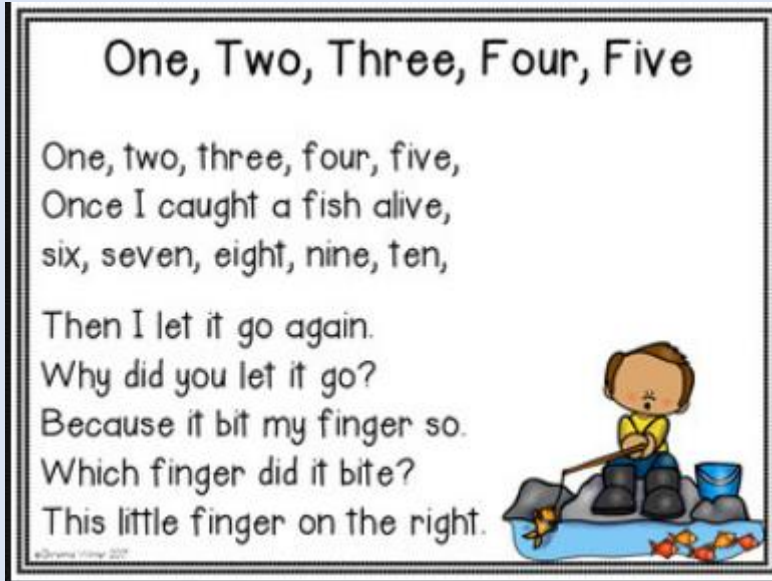
It really was no wonder

She was a little bit miffed



I changed a word slightly so that I could add a word that rhymed in. This is why poems are fun – you can play around with words.

If you are having problems thinking of a poem, adapt ones that have already been written.



One, two, three, four, five
The fox and the hen went for a drive,
Six, seven, eight, nine, ten
They went so fast they crashed into their
den.

You don't have to use all the poem and remember, it does not need to make sense.



Your turn...

If you can, record your poem and
send it to me.