

## Teacher's Guide



## **Make a Poetry Book**

Having a **positive relationship** with and a greater connection to **nature** makes a person more likely to behave **positively** towards the environment, wildlife and habitats in general. This activity is designed to give students an opportunity to **express their creativity** and **connect with nature** through **writing**.

Over multiple classes (or at home), students will learn about writing **poetry** and **rhyming schemes**, and they will create their own poetry book consisting of three nature-themed poems.

## **Preparation**

Prior to starting the activity, read over the example and instructions with them. Each student should be provided with a copy of the handout.

## Instructions

Students are tasked with picking **three** different **nature-related topics** from the list that is provided. They may also come up with their own words. They are then asked to write four-line poems about each of these topics using **different rhyme schemes**. The first poem should follow an AAAA rhyme scheme; the second an AABB scheme; and the third should follow an ABAB rhyme scheme.

Once students have completed all their poems, they can cut them out of the activity sheet and staple them together to create a book. **Creativity is key** when it comes to poetry, so we recommend that students also add an original book cover by cutting out an additional piece of paper (on which they may write a title and drawn an illustration) and stapling it along with the other pages.



We welcome feedback and would be delighted to hear your thoughts on this activity. Feel free to send an email to <a href="mailtoschools@climatescience.org">schools@climatescience.org</a> and we'll be sure to get back to you soon:)