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POETRY CORNER COLLECTION

Poetry written individually & collectively over Zoom Virtual Summer Camp!
What is acrostic poetry?

Acrostic poetry is a form of short verse constructed so that the initial letters of each line taken consecutively form words. The term is derived from the Greek words akros, "at the end," and stichos, "line." The word acrostic was first applied to the prophecies of the Erythraean Sibyl, which were written on leaves and arranged so that the initial letters of the leaves always formed a word.
Azalea 🌸
By Azalea Abrams

Adventurous 🏀
Zooty 🦊
Athletic 🏀
Lovely 💖
Environmental 🌿
Animal-lover 🐾
Hazel
By Hazel Israel
Honorable
Ambitious
Zooty
Environmental
Loving
Zoe
By Zoe Augustine

Zany
Open
Earth
Margot
by Margot Sands

Maker
Artist
Reader
Grower
Original
Thoughtful
The breeze and the waves and the soil swirls
Underground, too.
Nature, nature all around, on the trees and on the ground.
Animals help the environment.
What is a haiku?
Haiku comes from a “first verse” called hokku; they often look incomplete as they originate from a linked verse poem where the first verse is finished by the second verse. They have a special place in the multi-poet, multi-linking verse poem known as renga, or renku, that enjoyed a renaissance in 17th-century Japan. Japanese writers began to adapt foreign literary techniques in poetry as Japan was opened up to the West. Journalist, writer, and poet, Masaoka Shiki, took full advantage when he officially made hokku an independent poem in the 1890s called haiku (singular and plural spelling) and brought haiku into the 20th century. Haiku is one of the world’s oldest regularly written forms of poetry, and Basho (1644–1694) is recognized as its foremost poet. In the early 1850s the West learnt of Japan’s incredible art, and Japanese artists were fascinated by the West’s own techniques.
SLOTH POOP
Sloths poop to grow trees, fertilize the ground, to help plants sprout out their leaves.

#2
If sloths don’t make it to the ground to go number two, they will explode!
HUMMINGBIRD HAIKUS

By Zoe Augustine, Hazel Israel, & Margot Sands

HUMMINGBIRDS
Move all directions
hovering in the warm air
I like humming birds.

EGG
Eggs smaller than jelly beans
Go to red flowers for food
Glisten over ducks