

Y3 Summer Poetry: Shape Poems
Unit 3
Comprehension: Reading and analysing shape poems
Teacher Notes

Preparation Notes:

- In preparation for this unit, familiarise yourself in advance with all named poems on each day of teaching. You may also have other examples that you wish to use.

Notes for Teaching:

- On Day 1, explain 'figurative language' as being when things are compared to other things or are made to sound human. The curriculum says that children do not need to use the vocabulary of simile, metaphor, personification in Year 3, but you may wish to introduce and use these terms if appropriate.
- You may want to practise before you model writing a poetry appreciation on Day 4.

Essential Texts:

Apes to Zebras: an A-Z of Shape Poems by Liz Brownlee, Sue Hardy-Dawson and Roger Stevens, Bloomsbury, ISBN: 978-1472929525

Doodle Dandies: Poems That Take Shape by J Patrick Lewis, Atheneum Books for Young Readers, ISBN: 978-0689848896