

The Day of the Gulls

On a silver-cold day
Under snow-heavy clouds
The seagulls come
Driven inland
Swooping and screaming
Over the scraps in the gutters.

As the children stare
At the street made beautiful
By the white shining
Of their wings.

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Unit 1 Day 2

The Day of the Gulls (first verse)

(powerful verbs, imagery and descriptive language)

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Under snow-heavy clouds
The seagulls come
Driven inland
Swooping and screaming
Over the scraps in the gutters.

Example alternative poem

The Day of the Redwings

On a golden-hot day
Under sparkling-blue skies
The redwings come
Called home
Gliding and diving
Over the pastel shades of spring blossom.

Planning/ideas sheet

The Day of the _____

On a _____ day

Under _____

The _____ come

_____ and _____

Over the _____

What is the day like?

What is the weather/sky like?

Which bird?

Where have they gone?

How are they moving?

What can they see below?

The Day of the _____

On a _____ day

Under _____

The _____ come

_____ and _____

Over the _____