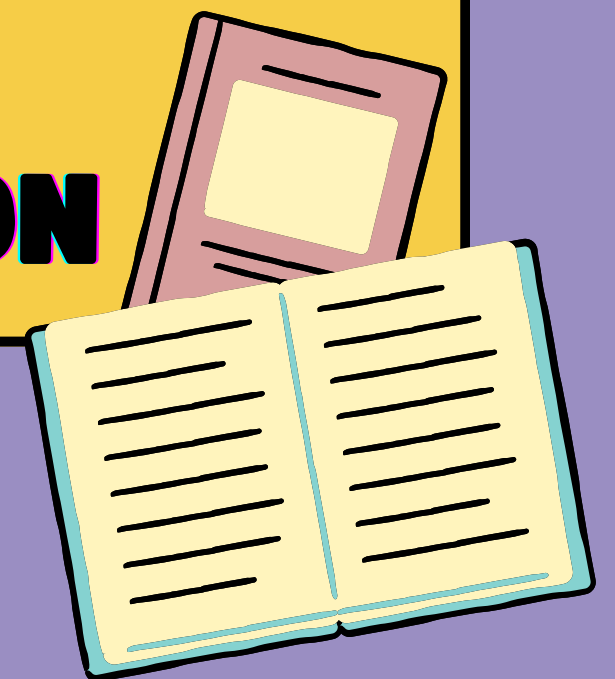




# FEATURES OF A POEM

**“BED IN SUMMER” BY ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON**

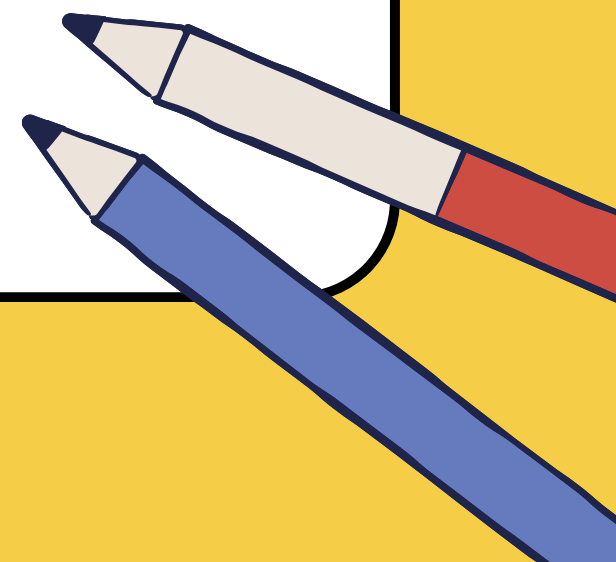
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# OBJECTIVES

1. Understand what a poem is and how it is different from regular writing.
2. Understand what poetic devices are.
3. Apply knowledge by identifying poem features.



# WHAT IS A POEM?



A poem is a special type of writing  
that is usually fun, musical and  
imaginative.



# 1- LINES

A poem is written in lines instead of long paragraphs

Lines are short rows of words in a poem.

## **Example:**

"In winter I get up at night"

# 2- STANZAS

Lines are grouped into stanzas (like small paragraphs).



A stanza is a group of lines in a poem. It is like a small paragraph.

## **Example:**

1st Stanza:

In winter I get up at night  
And dress by yellow candle-light.

2nd Stanza:

In summer, quite the other way,  
I have to go to bed by day.

# 3- AUTHOR



An author is a person who writes books,  
poems, or stories.

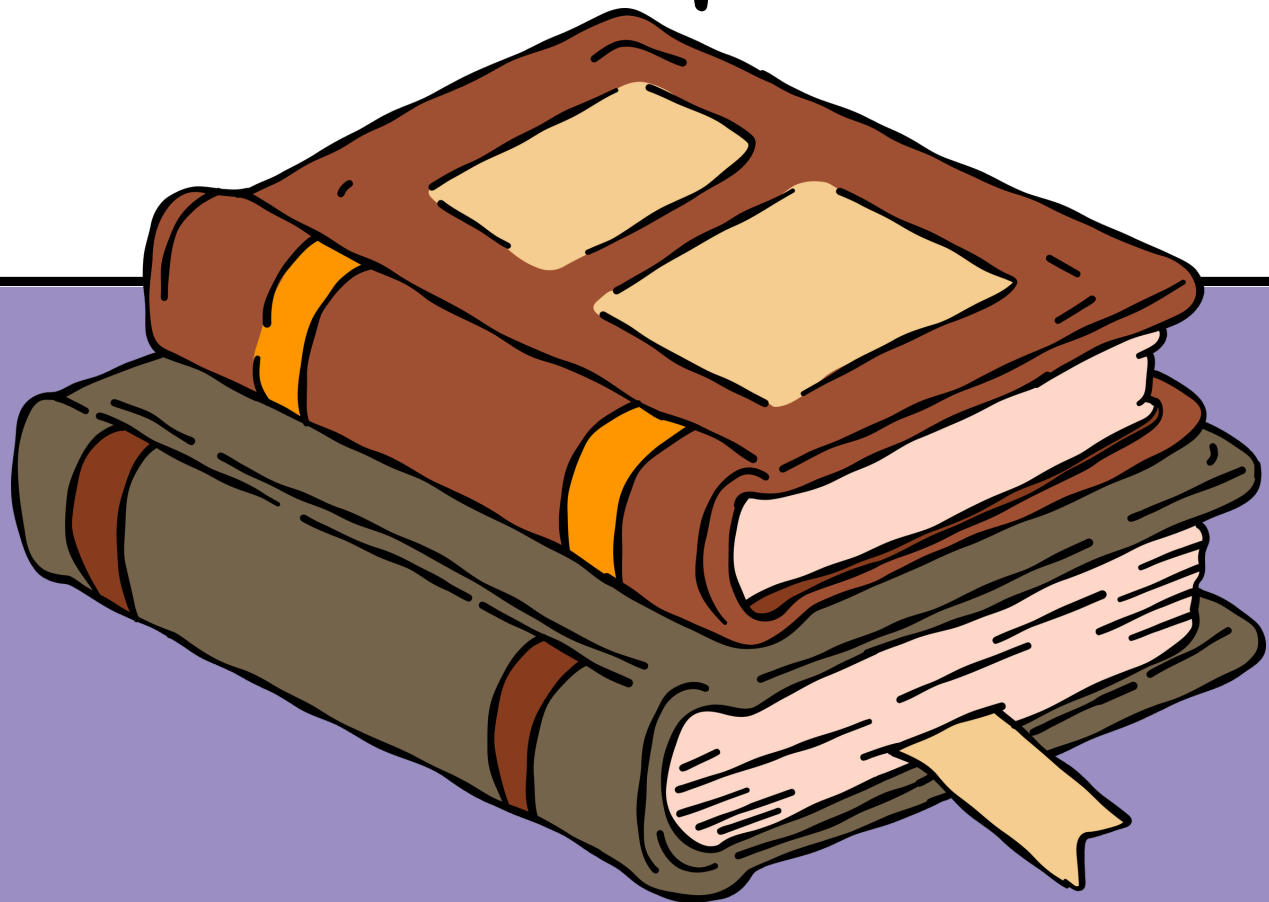
## **Examples:**

Robert Louis Stevenson

# 4- RHYTHM



The beat or pattern when reading a poem aloud.





# 5- RHYME

We often find rhymes at the end of each two different lines.

Rhyme is when words end with the same sound.

## **Examples:**

- night / light
- way / day
- you / blue



# 6- ALLITERATION



When two or more words start with the same sound.

Words starting with the same sound.

**Examples: (not in the poem)**

Sarah sells seashells by the seashore

"s" sound is repeated



# 7- SIMILE

A simile compares two things using like or as.

**Examples: (not in the poem)**

- She is as fast as a rabbit.
- The cloud is like cotton.





# 8- METAPHOR

We do not use "like" or "as"

Saying something is something else to give a strong picture.

## **Examples: (not in the poem)**

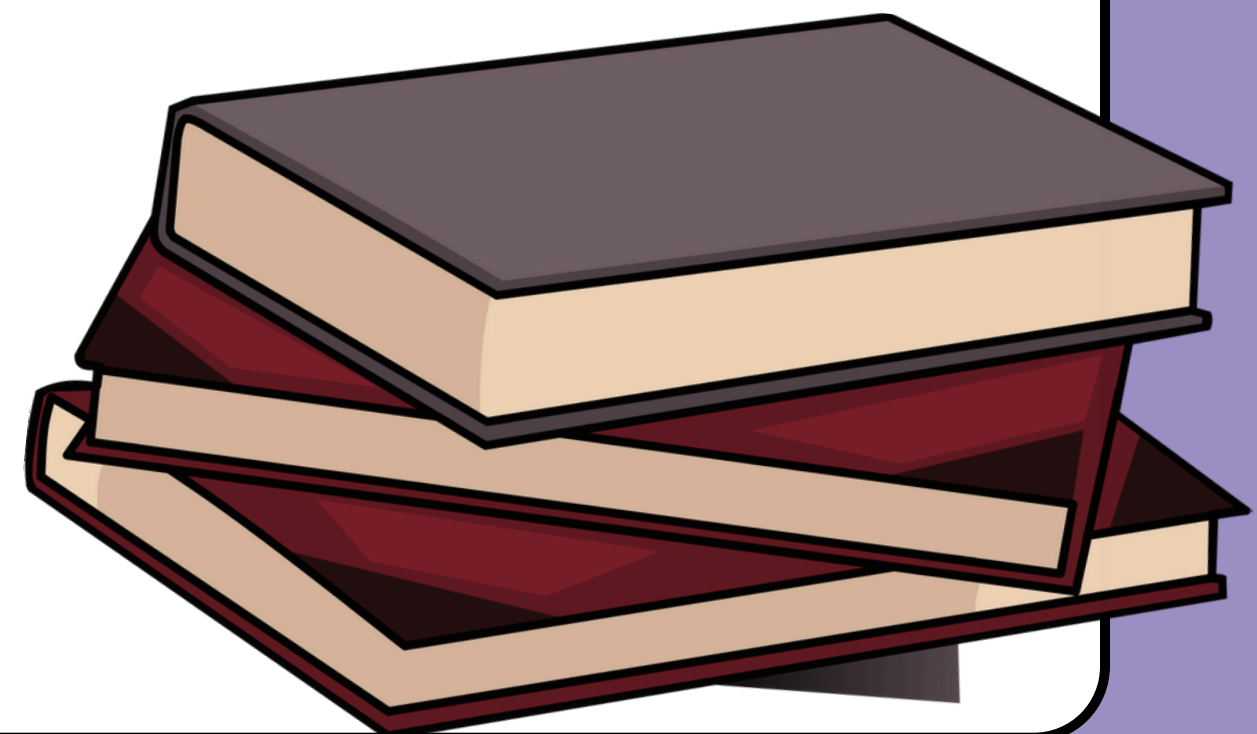
- Time is a thief.
- Her smile is sunshine.

# 9- KENNING

kenning is a short, creative phrase made of two words that renames something in a fun or imaginative way.

## **Examples: (not in the poem)**

- Sky-candle = the sun
- Wave-rider = a boat
- Night-light = the moon



# 10- ONOMATOPOEIA

Onomatopoeia is a word that sounds like the noise it describes.

## **Examples: (not in the poem)**

- The clock goes tick tock
- The bee goes buzz

