



Write a Haiku

A "haiku" is a traditional style of Japanese poetry. The poem structure is characterized by being short and sweet, and is an easy and fun way to write about something you love – whether that's animals, plants, the beautiful day, or your favorite toys.

We wrote an example haiku to help inspire you as you write your own:

Crispy and juicy
Orange Chicken dreams come true
Yummy yummy nom



Haiku Structure

Haiku poems are written as **three lines** that don't usually rhyme. Each line has a specific amount of syllables:

Line 1: 5 syllables

Line 2: 7 syllables

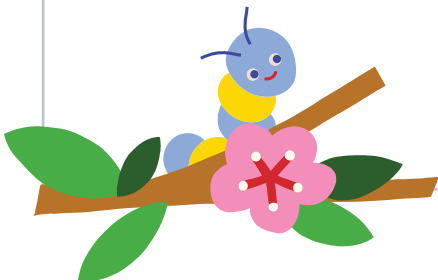
Line 3: 5 syllables

Here's another way to visualize the same thing:

1 2 3 4 5

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

1 2 3 4 5



How to Write a Haiku Poem

- 1 Choose a topic.**
What do you want to write a short poem about?
- 2 Think of facts.**
What are some facts that you know about the topic that you chose?
- 3 Think of an observation or feeling.**
The last line can be something more like a fun thought or idea that pops into your head about this topic, so that when a reader reads it, the idea lingers in their minds too.

Don't forget to **count the syllables** as you write to make sure you have the right pattern. When you finish your first haiku, see if you can write another one. And, most importantly, have fun!

