

Activity 1 - Poetry

Today you're going to read a poem and answer questions about it.

The Sound Keeper

I read a book this morning
With photos of the past;
Of memories when I was young,
And sounds that always last.

The pictures were of holidays,
The pictures were of me,
But the ones that I remembered best
Were right beside the sea.

The crying of the seagulls,
The laughter in the air,
The hum of all the people,
And the music of the fair.

The slurp of drippy ice cream,
The fizz of cola pop,
Applying sun cream to my back,
Slippy, slappy, slop.

The whooshing of the pebbles,
The crashing of the waves,
The gurgling and rushing
Of the water in the caves.

The sound of my legs splashing,
Swimming in the sea,
Dad is paddling to my left
And Mum is here with me.

I read a book this morning,
The sounds, they always last.
It keeps them there, fresh like new,
Memories of my past.



The Sound Keeper Questions

1. When did the person in the poem read the book? Tick one.

- in the morning
- last night
- Saturday

2. But the ones that I heard best
Were right beside the _____

What comes next? Tick one.

- school
- house
- sea

3. What was drippy? Tick one.

- sweets
- ice cream
- seagulls

4. Where was Mum? Tick one.

- on the Moon
- reading a book
- here with me

5. What does the book do to the sounds? Tick one.

- keeps them there
- takes them away
- makes them go quiet

This poem is called 'The Sound Keeper.' Make a list of all the sound words you can find in the poem. I'll start you off:

crying

laughter

Activity 2 - ONOMATOPOEIA

Watch the following clip to learn more about **onomatopoeia**:



Now you're going to go on a sound walk around your house. You will need to turn on taps, tap pans, turn on light switches etc.

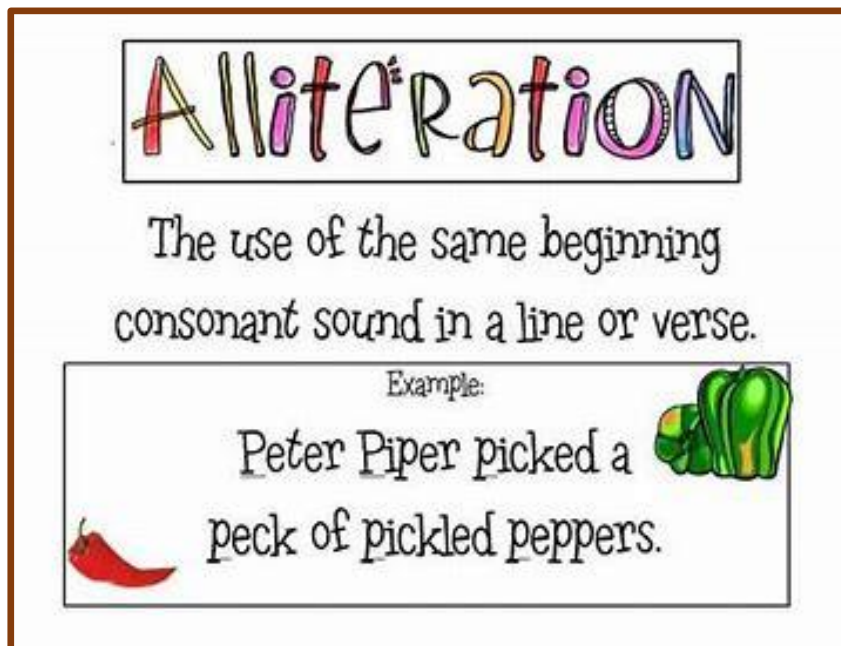
As you go around the house, make a list of all the sounds you make and hear. I started in my kitchen:

Whooshing water from the kitchen tap,
The click, click, click of the light switch,
Crinkle crackle of the biscuit wrapper,
POP goes the toaster...
Now SLAM the kitchen door!

It's a good idea to use a different colour for each room. Now it's your turn.

Activity 3 - ALLITERATION

Watch the following clip to learn more about alliteration:



Alliteration is used in the example above because many of the words begin with a **p**;

Peter **P**iper **p**icked a **p**eck of **p**ickled **p**eppers.

Alliteration doesn't have to occur in so many words, three would do:

six **s**izzling **s**ausages

lots of **l**ovely **l**emons

a **b**ig **b**ouncy **b**ed

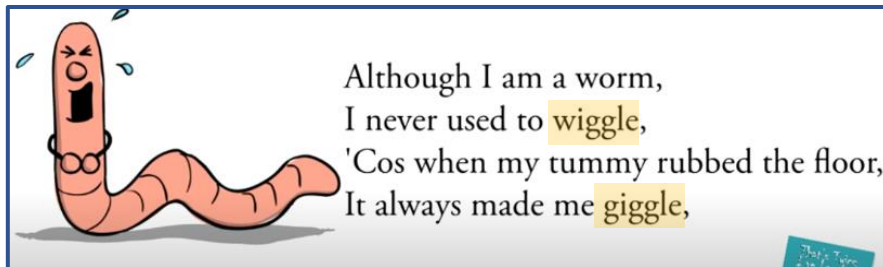
Take another walk around your house and see if you can write some **phrases** using alliteration. (A phrase is part of a sentence.)

Activity 4 - RHYME

Look at the following verse from a poem.

It has 4 lines.

Lines 2 and 4 rhyme.



Now click on it to hear the full poem.

- Next, you're going to have a go at writing some verses of your own in the same style.
- I want you to choose something in your house and think of a word that rhymes with it.

I chose **sock**. **Sock** rhymes with **clock**.

Here goes:

*I spotted something different,
When I looked right at the **clock**,
Because both of the hands had been,
Replaced with my best **sock!***



Can you hear the rhythm in the poem? Try clapping it out.

Now you try with the following pairs or some of your own:

mug pan spoon jar bath

jug fan moon car path

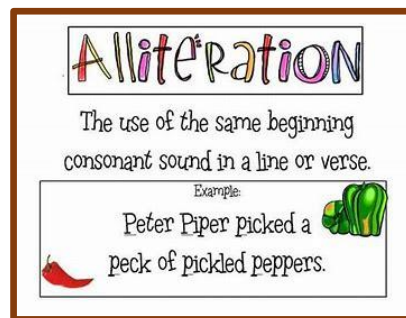
Activity 5

Today we're going to put all of our ideas together in one poem. Let's remind ourselves of what we've learnt:

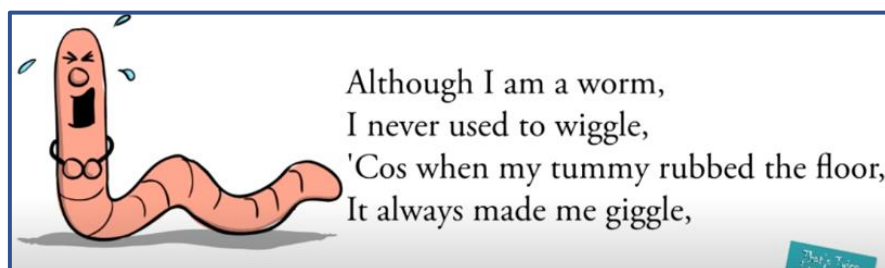
1. onomatopoeia-sound words



2. alliteration-words beginning with the same sound



3. a rhyming pattern of lines 2 and 4



Here's my poem. I'm starting off with an opening verse just like, 'The Sound Keeper.' You can use my starter or make one of your own.

Mrs Tysoe's Noisy Walk

I took a walk this morning,
All around the house,
I listened really carefully,
As quiet as a mouse.

Bash the kitchen cupboard,
Drip, drip, drip went the tap,
Biscuits all get ready
Must make a massive SNAP!

The telephone is ringing
In the living room,
My brother's making lots of noise,
Bing, bang, bong, bash, BOOM!

The flushing of the toilet,
The whooshing of the shower,
Makes me think I'm listening to...
Our house's NOISY HOUR!

Now it's your turn. Have fun! 😊