Poems After Rain

Read four poems and look for clues in their lines.

2.LF.33 "Read and identify types of poems, including free verse, rhymed verse, haiku, and limerick."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB A slash (/) shows where a new poem line starts. Circle rhyming words at the ends of lines, then write free verse, rhymed verse, haiku, or limerick beside each poem number.

Mina's Rainy Walk

1. After the rain, Mina finds two poems on a park sign. Poem 1 says, "The puddles shine so bright / They catch the morning light." Poem 2 says, "A wet leaf / holds one clear drop / until the wind shakes it."

2. Mina finds Poem 3 under a tree. It says, "Soft rain taps the leaves / Small worms wiggle through the mud / Clouds drift out of sight." Mina claps the syllables in each line as she reads.

3. At the pond, Mina finds Poem 4. It says, "There once was a duck in the rain / Who danced by a puddle again / She slipped on a stone / And let out a groan / Then waddled right home down the lane."

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Which poem is rhymed verse, and which is free verse? How do the words at the ends of their lines help you tell?

2. Which poem is a haiku? How many syllables are in each of its three lines?

3. Which poem is a limerick? Write its two groups of rhyming end words.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write your own two-line rhymed verse about an animal that is not in the passage. Underline the rhyming word at the end of each line, then write the poem type below your poem.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 2 · 2.LF.33

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

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PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which poem is rhymed verse, and which is free verse? How do the words at the ends of their lines help you tell?	**Poem 1 is rhymed verse because bright and light rhyme. Poem 2 is free verse because its end words do not rhyme.**
2	Which poem is a haiku? How many syllables are in each of its three lines?	**Poem 3 is a haiku. Its lines have 5, 7, and 5 syllables.**
3	Which poem is a limerick? Write its two groups of rhyming end words.	**Poem 4 is a limerick. Rain, again, and lane rhyme. Stone and groan rhyme.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

A small brown bear climbs up a tree
It looks around and waves at me
Rhymed verse

For the marking job, accept Poem 1 as rhymed verse, Poem 2 as free verse, Poem 3 as haiku, and Poem 4 as limerick. For the original poem, check that it has two lines about a different animal and underlined rhyming end words.