

Acrostic poems

In order to get to know you a little better we would like you to write an acrostic poem for your own name in which you describe your personality, strengths and interests.

What is an acrostic poem?

An **acrostic poem** is a **poem** where certain letters in each line spell out a word or phrase. Typically, the first letters of each line are used to spell the message, but they can appear anywhere. An example is on the next slide.

Example

Try hard in everything I do.

Happy to help anyone in need.

Outer space is a place I would like to visit.

Master of mountain biking.

Amazing at art.

Super sporting achievements.

Acrostic Features

The first letter of each line spells out the poem's theme vertically – what's this one about?

It's my favourite food
Cold as the inside of a fridge
Every sunny day

Can't wait
Running to the van
Empy out the money
'Any sauce on that, love?
Mmmmmm, yummy!

alliteration

Poetic devices may be used.

simile

Lines can be different lengths

Let's Try It!

How can we write an acrostic poem about YOU?

First, you need to think of lots of words or phrases that reflect what you are like as a person, what your interests are and what you consider to be your strengths.

a talented cook

thoughtful

fun to be around

love to read

easy going

hardworking

competitive

keen at sport

great sense of humour

caring

super at art

computer games whizz

friendly

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How can we write an acrostic poem?
Next, we write the letters of your name vertically
down the page in CAPITAL LETTERS...

Mr Johnson →

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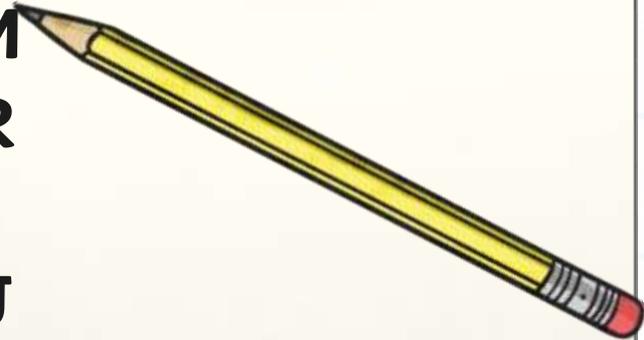
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Finally, we use our list of words and phrases to create each line. Don't worry if you can't think of them in order – it's fine to go back and add any missing lines afterwards.

Mad about dogs.

Reads everyday.

Jumps at the chance to play cricket.

Over the moon about teaching you next year.

Has a lovely new nephew.

Not afraid to explore new countries.

Serious about learning.

Often found in a queue at Nandos.

Never misses a chance to see a good film.

See resources for a template, but feel free to design your own.

Well done, you have completed the challenge.

Please send any completed acrostic poems to

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to see them.

