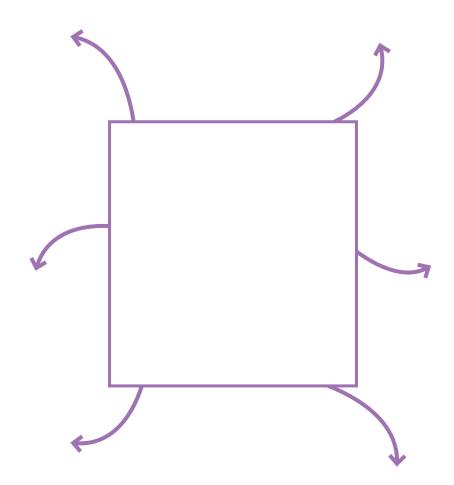
Planning a Haiku

Haiku is a traditional Japanese poem form. They are often about nature, seasons or animals - but not always! What will you write about?

Draw or stick a picture of your theme in the box, then think of some words or phrases about it. Write your haiku on three lines. Remember the syllable pattern is 5-7-5.

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Haiku Rules

Summer is over,

Days are getting shorter now,

Soon it's time for school.

Each haiku has only three lines.

The lines follow a pattern of syllables:



5-7-5

Cars are so speedy,

When can I drive one?

Zipping by just like rockets.

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Haiku poetry is traditional in Japan.

Haiku are often written about nature or the seasons, but they don't have to be!



Aim

• To recognise the features of haiku poems.

Success Criteria

- I know that a haiku contains only 3 lines;
- I can count the syllables in each line to check the pattern matches the format 5-7-5;
- I understand that haiku poems are often about nature or the seasons and how we feel about them.

What is a Haiku?

Haiku poems are a traditional Japanese art form. Here's one...

My two plum trees are So gracious. See, they flower. One now, one later.



What is a Haiku?

What did you notice about the poems?

Think about:

- the poem's theme;
- how many lines are in each poem;
- how many syllables in each line.

Three lines in each poem.

My two plum trees are So gracious. See, they flower. One now, one later.

Winter is coming.
Snow will be arriving soon.
We should rake the leaves.

Final line is a comment or observation on the theme.

natural theme 5 syllables in first line7 syllables in middle line5 syllables in final line



Let's have a go!

How can we write a haiku?

First, we need to choose a theme. It doesn't have to be about seasons or nature, but let's be traditional.

Summer

hot sunshine flowers holiday

beach ice-cream games sea

swimming fun warm sand

Let's have a go!

How can we write a haiku?

Next, we choose two or three ideas which will flow together.

Summer

hot sunshine flowers holiday

beach ice-cream

games

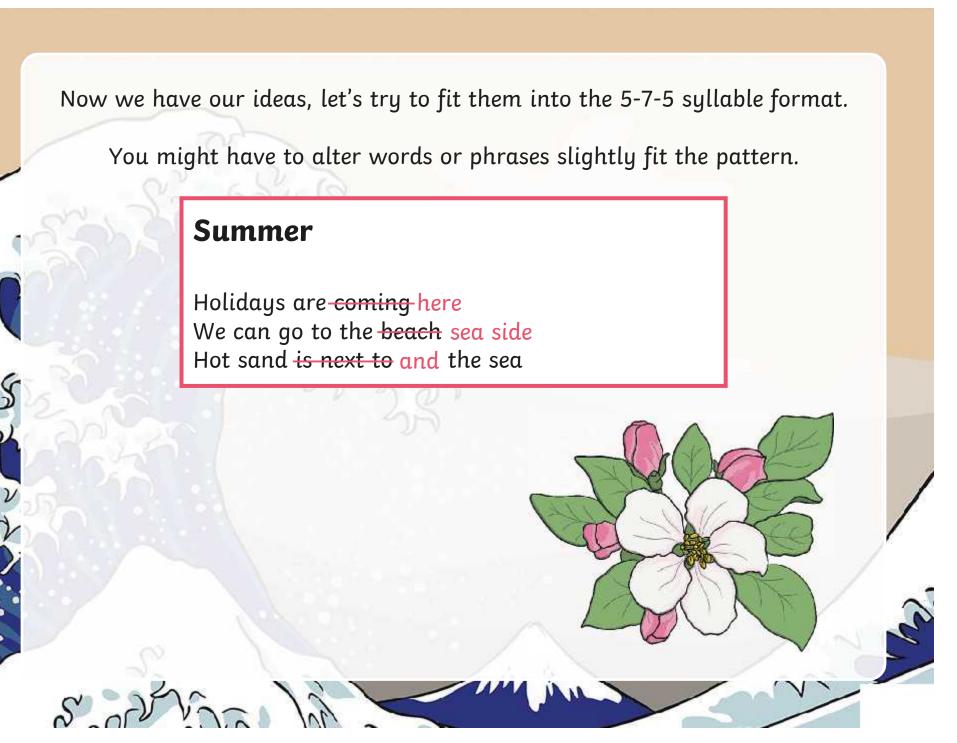
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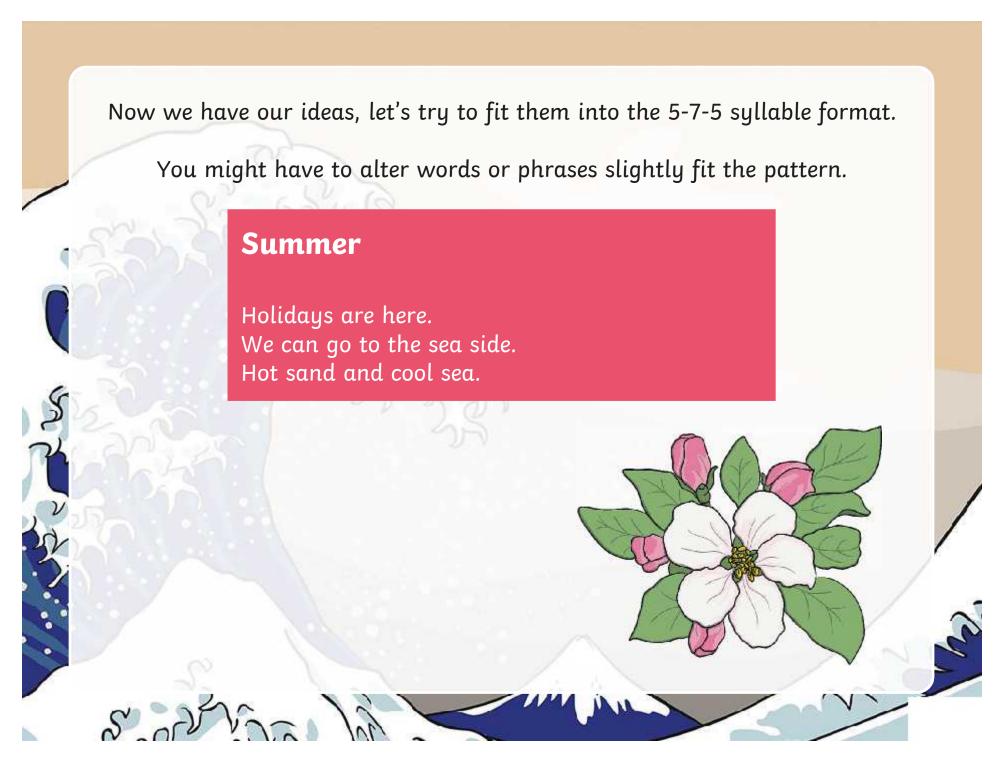
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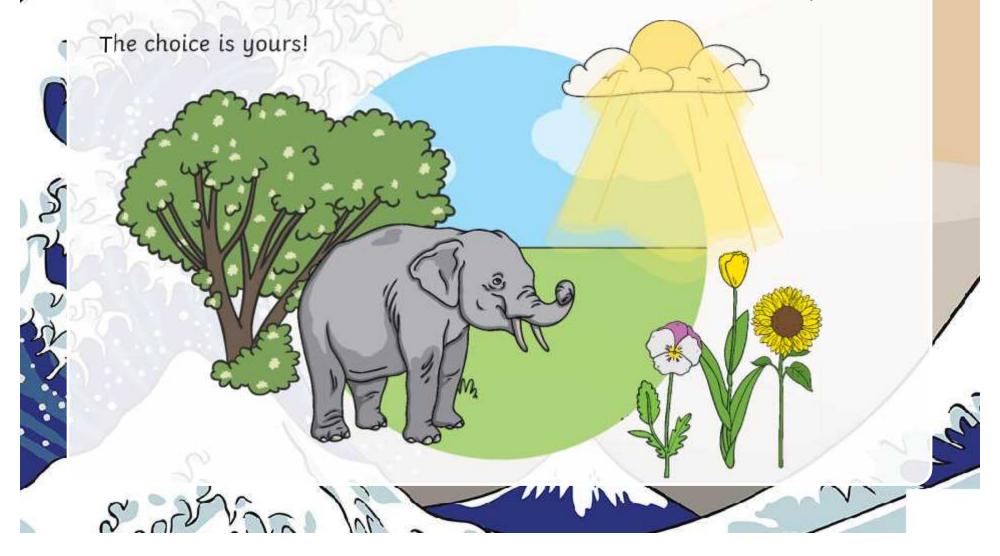
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Let's have a go!

You could write a haiku about the seasons, or about an animal or plant.



What have we learned about Haiku?

- Each poem has only 3 lines.
- The syllable pattern of the poem should be 5-7-5.
- Haiku are often written about seasons and nature.
- So now you know a haiku is a poem, not something a pigeon says on the top of Nelson's Column!



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