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Writing Haikus

Today we will learn more about one form of poetry - the haiku.
We will write our own haiku poems based on our lockdown experience.

A haiku is a traditional form of Japanese poetry. They require a particular pattern of syllables.

The first line has 5 syllables

The second line has 7 syllables


The third line has 5 syllables

See the powerpoint on clasdojo to help you review this.

See some Haiku examples below. Count the syllables.

Family Time

Outside the window,
the world is silent; inside,
it's full of laughter.

A line drawing of a woman with long hair, wearing a long-sleeved top and pants, crouching down to hug a child from behind. The child is also wearing a long-sleeved top and pants. They are both smiling.

Keeping in Touch

Communicating
in high-tech ways with loved ones
so our world can heal.

A line drawing of a woman with curly hair, wearing a striped shirt and pants, standing next to a globe. The globe is being held by two hands, one on each side. The woman is looking towards the globe.

Now try writing a few Haikus about your time at home. Just in case you need it, there is a writing frame below that you can use.

My Lockdown Haiku

Word Bank

1

Words with one syllable

world strange safe face school hope heal

2

Words with two syllables

outside inside apart window laughter
rainbow bonding learning lockdown

3

Words with three syllables

together important family messages celebrate exercise
relaxing connecting happiness positive

4

Words with four syllables

communicate separated isolation creativeness
motivation technology altogether



Now, write your haiku. If you need to, use some of the words in the word bank to help you. You can also use your own ideas.

Think of a title for your poem:

_____ (5 syllables)

_____ (7 syllables)

_____ (5 syllables)

