

Ocean Acrostic Poems



What Is an Acrostic Poem?

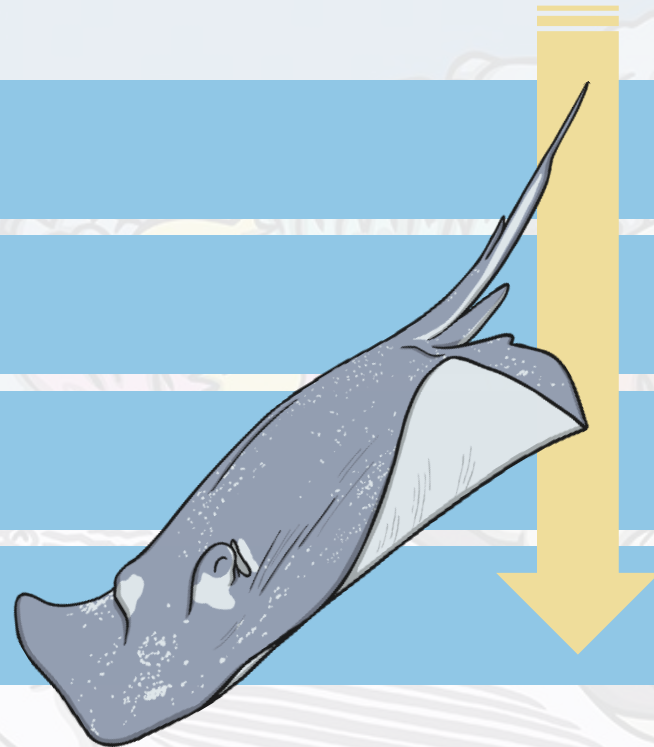
Acrostic poems are written by choosing a word to go vertically down a page. Like this...

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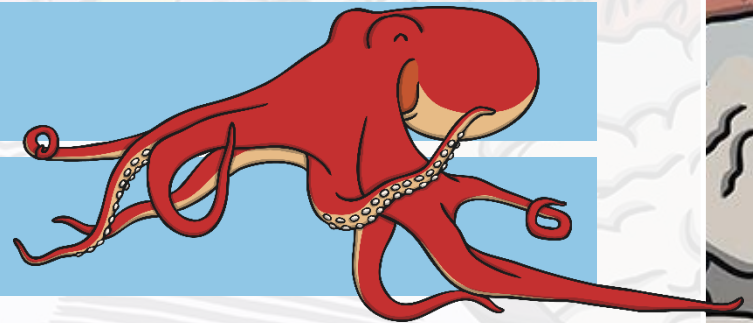
Then, you think of words or phrases beginning with each letter.
Like this...

Personal thoughts

On each line

Express your feelings

Make people happy



Spot the Subject

Can you use the first letter of each line to help you to work out what each acrostic poem is about?

Fins are moving
I am swimming
Salty ocean is my home
Hurry, a shark is coming!

Dancing on the waves
Over the water I jump
Long strides swimming
Perfectly gliding
Happy and playful
I laugh all day
Never-ending adventures

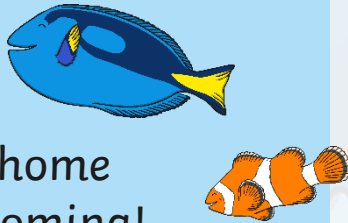
Sneakily glide
Hunting for prey
Always silently watching
Ready for a chase
Krill, dolphins or YOU!

Over the waves
Creeping under the water
Every type of creature
Animals that breathe underwater
Near the ocean floor

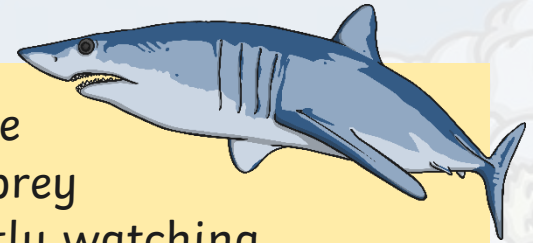
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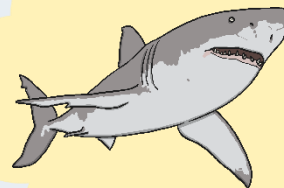
First, think of a theme, e.g. sharks.

Next, collect lots of ideas about that theme.

Then, write the letters of your theme word vertically down the page in capital letters, like this:

SHARK →

**S
H
A
R
K**



hunter

teeth

circling

fin



Writing an Acrostic Poem

Finally, use your ideas to write each line of the poem. Don't worry if you can't think of the lines in order. It is fine to go back and add any missing lines afterwards as long as your poem makes sense.



Stealthily glides
Hunting for prey
Angry and waiting
Rapidly chasing his meal
Kicking and swimming, the fish escapes

