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Onomatopoeia in Poetry: Add Your Own!

Directions: Onomatopoeia is a figurative language technique where a writer uses words that model or name a sound. In poetry, and in all stories, onomatopoeia can add fun and sound to stories. Read the poem below. Add onomatopoeia to the poem to make it even better. Draw arrows to show where you'd place onomatopoeia.

**excerpt, "The Children's Hour"
by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow**

Between the dark and the daylight,
 When the night is beginning to lower,
Comes a pause in the day's occupations,
 That is known as the Children's Hour.

I hear in the chamber above me
 The patter of little feet,
The sound of a door that is opened,
 And voices soft and sweet.

How does onomatopoeia make the poem better?
