

Name: _____

Date: _____

Onomatopoeia in Poetry: Adding 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 Walrus and the Sea" by Lewis Carroll

The sun was shining on the sea,
Shining with all his might:
He did his very best to make
The billows smooth and bright—
And this was odd, because it was
The middle of the night.

The moon was shining sulkily,
Because she thought the sun
Had got no business to be there
After the day was done—
"It's very rude of him," she said,
"To come and spoil the fun!"

How does onomatopoeia make the poem better?
