

поем['pəʊɪm] *n*

1. 1) стихотворение
- 2) поэма
2. что-л. прекрасное, поэтичное

their lives are a poem - их жизнь прекрасна

poem

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

poem [poem poems] *BrE* ['pəʊɪm] [ⓘ] *NAmE* ['pouɪm] [ⓘ] *noun*

a piece of writing in which the words are chosen for their sound and the images they suggest, not just for their obvious meanings. The words are arranged in separate lines, usually with a repeated rhythm, and often the lines [↑]**rhyme** at the end.

Word Origin:

late 15th cent.: from French **poème** or Latin **poema**, from Greek **poiēma**, early variant of **poiēma** 'fiction, poem', from **poiein** 'create'.

Collocations:**Literature***Being a writer*

write/publish literature/poetry/fiction/a book/a story/a poem/a novel/a review/an autobiography

become a writer/novelist/playwright

find/have a publisher/an agent

have a new book out

edit/revise/proofread a book/text/manuscript

dedicate a book/poem to...

Plot, character and atmosphere

construct/create/weave/weave sth into a complex narrative

advance/drive the plot

introduce/present the protagonist/a character

describe/depict/portray a character (as...)/(sb as) a hero/villain

create an exciting/a tense atmosphere

build/heighten the suspense/tension

evoke/capture the pathos of the situation

convey emotion/an idea/an impression/a sense of...

engage the reader

seize/capture/grip the (reader's) imagination

arouse/elicit emotion/sympathy (in the reader)

lack imagination/emotion/structure/rhythm

Language, style and imagery

use/employ language/imagery/humour/(especially *US*) humor/an image/a symbol/a metaphor/a device

use/adopt/develop a style/technique

be rich in/be full of symbolism

evoke images of.../a sense of.../a feeling of...

create/achieve an effect

maintain/lighten the tone

introduce/develop an idea/a theme

inspire a novel/a poet/sb's work/sb's imagination

Reading and criticism

read an author/sb's work/fiction/poetry/a text/a poem/a novel/a chapter/a passage

review a book/a novel/sb's work

give sth/get/have/receive a good/bad review

be hailed (as)/be recognized as a masterpiece

quote a phrase/line/stanza/passage/author

provoke/spark discussion/criticism

study/interpret/understand a text/passage

translate sb's work/a text/a passage/a novel/a poem

Example Bank:

- He dedicated the poem to his mother.
- His collected poems were published after the war.
- In his autobiographical poem 'The Prelude', Wordsworth describes his boyhood in the Lakes.
- She read the poem aloud.
- Wordsworth describes his boyhood in his autobiographical poem 'The Prelude'.
- a poem about cultural differences

poem

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

poem **S3 W3** /'pəʊɪm, 'pəʊɪm \$ 'pou-/ *BrE* [ⓘ] *AmE* [ⓘ] *noun* [countable]

[Word Family: **noun**: [↑]poem, [↑]poet, [↑]poetry; **adverb**: [↑]poetically; **adjective**: [↑]poetic]

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: French; Origin: poème, from Latin, from Greek poiema, from poiein 'to make, create']

a piece of writing that expresses emotions, experiences, and ideas, especially in short lines using words that rhyme (=end with the same sound)

poem about

I decided to write a poem about how I felt.

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COLLOCATIONS

verbs

- **write a poem** I've been writing short stories and poems for years.
- **compose a poem** *formal* (=write a poem) He composed a poem in his head.
- **learn a poem** (=learn it so that you can remember it without reading it) Hugh had learned the whole poem by heart as a boy.
- **memorize a poem** (=learn it) The children had to memorize a poem and recite it in front of the whole class.
- **recite a poem** (=say it without reading it) The little girl was standing up, reciting a poem.

phrases

- **a book/volume/collection of poems** She has a new collection of poems coming out soon.
- **an anthology of poems** (=a book of poems by different people) She gave me an anthology of poems for children.

ADJECTIVES/NOUN + poem

- **a love poem** Shakespeare's beautiful love poems
- **a lyric/narrative/epic etc poem** (=a poem in a particular style) the epic Greek poem, The Odyssey

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a poem

- **poem** a piece of writing that expresses emotions, experiences, and ideas, especially in short lines using words that rhyme: 'I wandered lonely as a cloud' is the first line of a famous poem by William Wordsworth.
- **sonnet** a poem with 14 lines which rhyme with each other in a fixed pattern: Shakespeare's sonnets
- **haiku** a type of Japanese poem with three lines consisting of five, seven, and five syllables: a haiku by Matsuo Basho about a frog jumping into a pond
- **limerick** a short humorous poem that has five lines which rhyme: a limerick by Edward Lear, which began 'There was a young lady of Norway, Who casually sat in a doorway'.
- **rhyme** a short poem or song, especially for children, using words that rhyme: a collection of traditional rhymes with illustrations | The children were reciting a rhyme. | a nursery rhyme (=a short traditional poem or song for children)

poems

- **poetry** poems in general, or the art of writing them: He reads a lot of poetry. | She wrote poetry and children's stories. | a poetry book
- **verse** words arranged in the form of poetry: a book of comic verse
- **anthology** a set of poems by different people collected together in one book: an anthology of Caribbean poetry

parts of a poem

- **verse** a group of words or sentences that form one part of a poem: The poem has three verses. | the final verse
- **stanza** a group of lines in a repeated pattern, which form part of a poem: the opening stanza of Keats' poem 'Ode to a Nightingale'

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