**Thoughts on a Rainy Day**

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I don’t like heights, I’m scared of lightning
This whole trip seems very frightening.
The sky looks dark, the wind is roaring
And everyone I know is pouring.

I should have worn two parachutes,
Some gloves, a helmet, and new boots.
What is going to become of me?
What if I get lost at sea,

Or wash away right down some drain,
Or smash into a window pane?
I can’t be worried, I can’t be blue.
I have a special job to do.

There it is, I see the ground
I’m nearly there, I’m almost down.
I’m heading for that wishing well
Now what was I supposed to yell?

And so ends the story of one raindrop.

**Stanza**

A stanza is a group of lines in a poem, separated by space from other stanzas. A stanza looks like a paragraph that you would read in a story.

**Line**

A line is a single row of words in a poem.

**Rhyme Scheme**

A “rhyme scheme” is a way of describing the **pattern of end rhymes** in a poem. Each new sound at the end of a line is given a letter, starting with “A,” then “B,” and so on. If an end sound repeats the end sound of an earlier line, it gets the same letter as the earlier line.

**Repetition**

Repetition is repeating words, phrases, lines, or stanzas. Repetition is used to: emphasize a feeling or idea, create rhythm and/or develop a sense of urgency.

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