

Couplet

Couplet poems are one of the easier forms of poetry to write, are the shortest form of traditional poetry and have been around since the fifteenth century. The couplet has a stanza of two lines. As the author, you can decide as to whether or not the lines rhyme. See below for the couplet example and your own planning chart.

Couplet Poem Examples:

The Crocus

The golden crocus reaches up
To catch a sunbeam in her cup.
-Walter Crane

Happy Starfish

A delicate, little starfish looking to shine
Knowing that living in the ocean is absolutely sublime.

Couplet Poem Planner:

In the space below, select five one-syllable words and write one in each column. (Your teacher may also give you these words.) Take 2-3 minutes and list all of the matching rhyming words you can think of.

Brainstorm some possible subjects for your couplet.

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Now pick two of the rhyming words you came up with, along with a subject for your poem, and begin!

