



## Guidelines for the use of 'Writing an alphabet rugby poem'

<b>Activity title:</b>	Writing an alphabet rugby poem
<b>Curriculum area:</b>	English
<b>NC objectives:</b>	English En1 1e), 2d), 8a) & 9a) and En2 4f), 4g), 4h), 4i) & 8c) and En3 1), 2), 3), 4), 5a), 9d), 11) & 12)
<b>Main learning objective</b>	To write poems based on the structure and style of poems read

Timing	Lesson plan ideas, activities and resource sheets
INTRODUCTION  20 minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Carry out shared reading of an alphabet poem and discuss and explain that they are going to write one about rugby. Use '1.3a An alphabet poem' if required.</li> <li>Look at word order and how the sentence can be rearranged to allow a different starting letter to be used.</li> <li>Carry out shared writing of part of an alphabet poem for rugby for selected letters.</li> </ul>

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<p>MAIN ACTIVITY</p> <p>30 minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide the class with the '1.3b Writing an alphabet poem about rugby' worksheet. Working in pairs or other chosen groups, pupils should write their own alphabet poem about rugby. They can complete the letters in any order, drawing on what they already know about rugby.</li> <li>• Use the '1.3c A - Z of rugby vocabulary' information sheet for extra rugby vocabulary if required. Pupils can also just use scenarios from a game rather than use technical vocabulary at all times.</li> </ul>
<p>PLENARY</p> <p>10 minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invite pupils to read their poems aloud to the class.</li> <li>• The rest of the class listen and must spot the rhyming pattern used, if any.</li> </ul>

### Suggested extension activities or cross curricular links:

- Use the poems in an intra school competition and make an exhibition of rugby poetry, or just display within own classrooms.
- Make sound recordings of the poems to create a rugby poetry audio file.
- Take the best lines from each poem to form a class alphabet rugby poem.