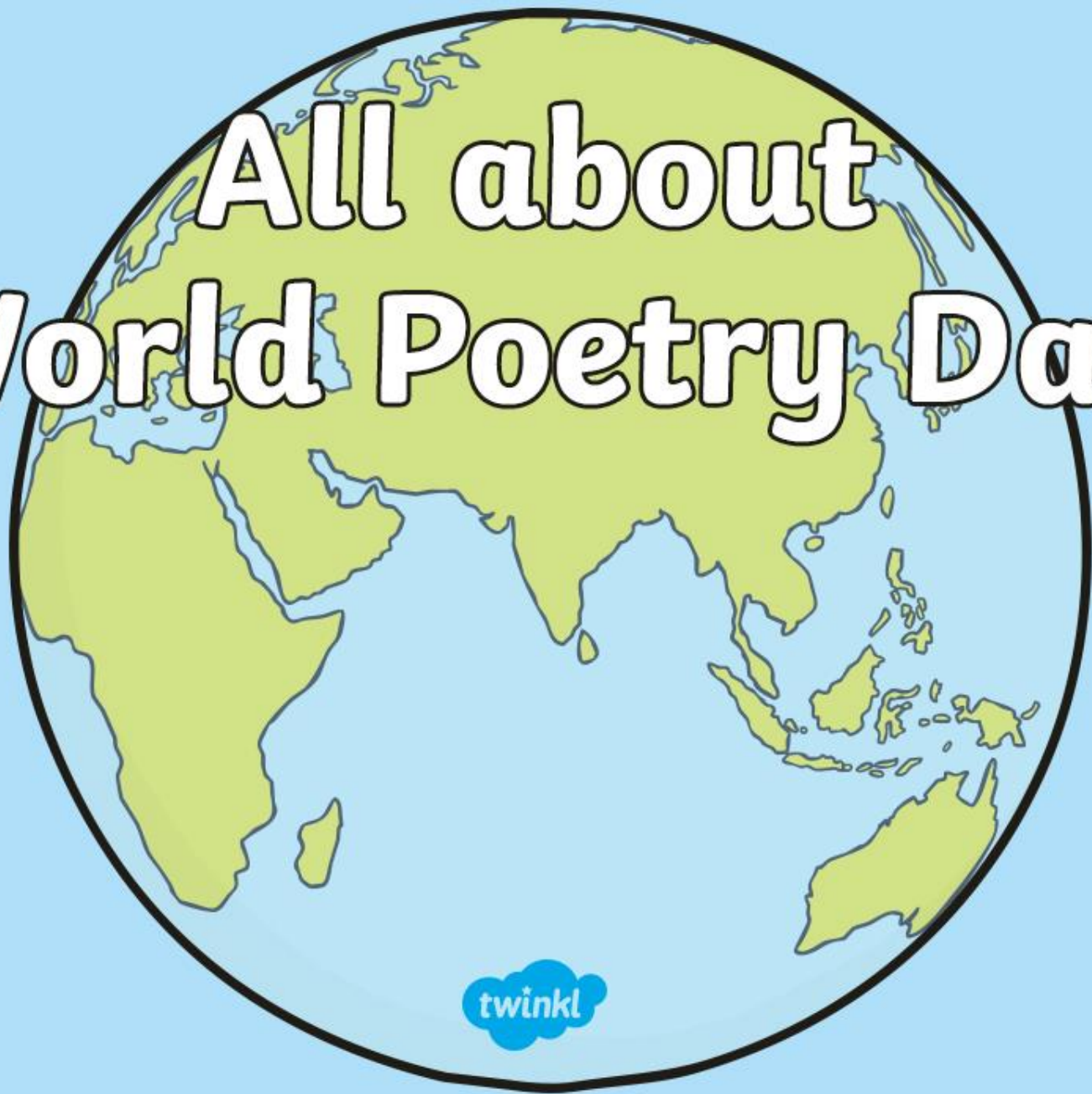


All about World Poetry Day



When Is World Poetry Day

World Poetry Day is celebrated every year on 21st March.

All around the world people share poems.



What Is World Poetry Day?

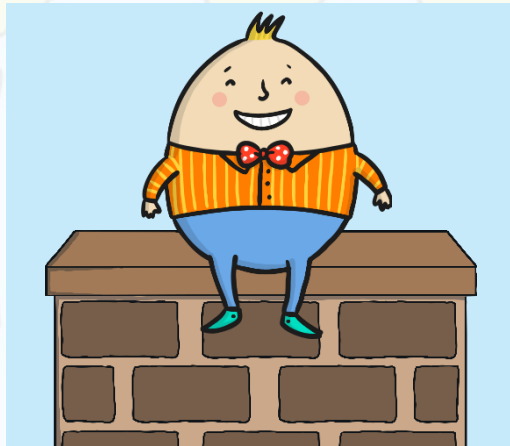
World Poetry Day started in 1999.
World Poetry Day is a time to learn about and enjoy poetry.

Do you recognise any of these famous rhymes?

Can you recite them?



Jack and Jill



Humpty Dumpty



Twinkle, Twinkle
Little Star

Did You Know...?

A person who writes poetry is called a poet.

What Is World Poetry Day?

Have you ever read a poem?

There are lots of different types of poems.

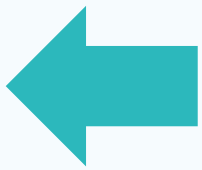
World Poetry Day aims to teach people all about the huge variety of poems you can enjoy.

Which type of poem would you like to investigate?

Shape poems

Tongue
twisters





Shape Poems

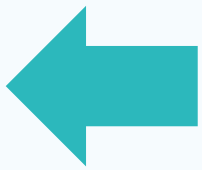
A shape poem describes an object and is written in the shape of the object. You can write shape poems about anything you want.

What would you write a shape poem about?



Ghosts glide across the
golden grass
Gathering goblins and
gathering grasshoppers
They giggle as they glide
above the ground.

Do you like this ghostly poem?



Tongue Twisters

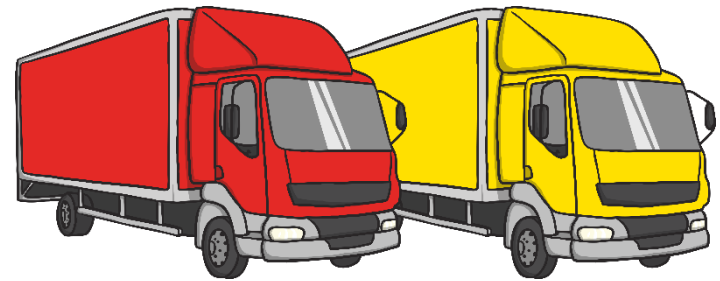
A tongue twister is a poem that uses words that are hard to say quickly, together. When people try to say them, sometimes they get the words jumbled up.

It is funny to say a tongue twister quickly. Give it a try!

She sells sea shells on the
sea shore.



Red lorry, yellow lorry.
Red lorry, yellow lorry.
Red lorry, yellow lorry.



How to Celebrate World Poetry Day

Poets might read their work in book shops, libraries, even cafes.

Paul Cookson is a poet. Listen to his poem 'King of All the Dinosaurs'.



Can you join in with the poem?



How Can You Celebrate World Poetry Day?



Read a poem – what type will you choose?



Decorate a poem with pictures.



Use music and dance to chant a poem.

