

Haiku Quiz & Assessment

Name: _____ Date: _____

Directions: Answer each question. Use complete sentences when an explanation is requested.

1. How many lines does a haiku have?
2. What classroom syllable pattern is commonly taught for English haiku?
3. What is a kigo?
4. What subjects are traditionally common in haiku?
5. Should haiku usually explain everything directly?
6. Count the syllables in 'autumn leaves falling'.
7. What is juxtaposition in haiku?
8. What is the purpose of a seasonal image?
9. True or false: every modern English haiku must strictly follow 5-7-5.
10. Write one sensory image suitable for a haiku.

Teacher Answer Key

1. Three
2. 5-7-5
3. A seasonal word/reference
4. Nature, seasons, moments of perception
5. No; suggestion and imagery are important
6. 5 (common pronunciation)
7. Placing two images/ideas beside each other for contrast or resonance
8. To ground the poem in time, mood, and nature
9. False
10. Answers vary

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