

Rhyme Scheme Quiz

Name: _____ Date: _____

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

1. What letters mark a four-line stanza whose first and third lines rhyme and second and fourth lines rhyme?
2. What is end rhyme?
3. What is internal rhyme?
4. What is slant rhyme?
5. What is a couplet?
6. What is a quatrain?
7. If lines 1,2,4 rhyme and line 3 differs, what scheme is it?
8. What does AAAA indicate?
9. What is rhyme scheme?
10. Why might a poet break an established rhyme pattern?

Teacher Answer Key

1. ABAB
2. Rhyme at line endings
3. Rhyme within a line or between internal words
4. Near/imperfect rhyme
5. Two consecutive lines, often rhymed
6. A four-line stanza
7. AABA
8. All four lines share the same rhyme
9. The ordered pattern of end rhymes
10. For emphasis, surprise, tone, or meaning

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