

HO-2 Shape Poems

A **cinquain** is a five-line poem that does not rhyme.

(Say it like this: sing-kwane.)

To write a cinquain, follow this pattern:

Line 1 – noun

Line 2 – two adjectives for the noun

Line 3 – three '-ing' verbs to go with the noun

Line 4 – one sentence about the noun

Line 5 – a noun that means the same thing as the noun in line 1

An example:

Gibbon furry, happy swinging, climbing, playing He makes funny faces at me. Monkey

On the next page, write your cinquain about a time of year, an animal, a sport, or anything else you choose.

There is space to try two different ones if you like this activity!



		 				
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