



Writing a poem



Go on a poetry journey with one of
Scotland's greatest poets!

With Walter Scott

Write four rhyming sentences
about the picture you drew
before

This booklet will help you write a simple poem.

Walter Scott will show you what to do.

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Congratulations! You've written
a poem!

Write your own rhyming words



Poems are special kinds of stories.

Though tired of standing all this time
I dare na stir a leg;
Though wishing sair to stretch my arms
I canna move a peg.

In this poem, a man is hiding in a cupboard.

Match the words that rhyme

Though tired of standing all this time
I dare na stir a leg;
Though wishing sair to stretch my arms
I canna move a peg.
The glasses tremble at my breath
So close to me they stand
Whilst jars are pressing 'gainst my feet,
And jugs at either hand.

right

red

hat

teddy

can

cow

bear

too

cat

bow

ready

might

care

two

pan

bed



Poems sometimes rhyme

Though tired of standing all
this time

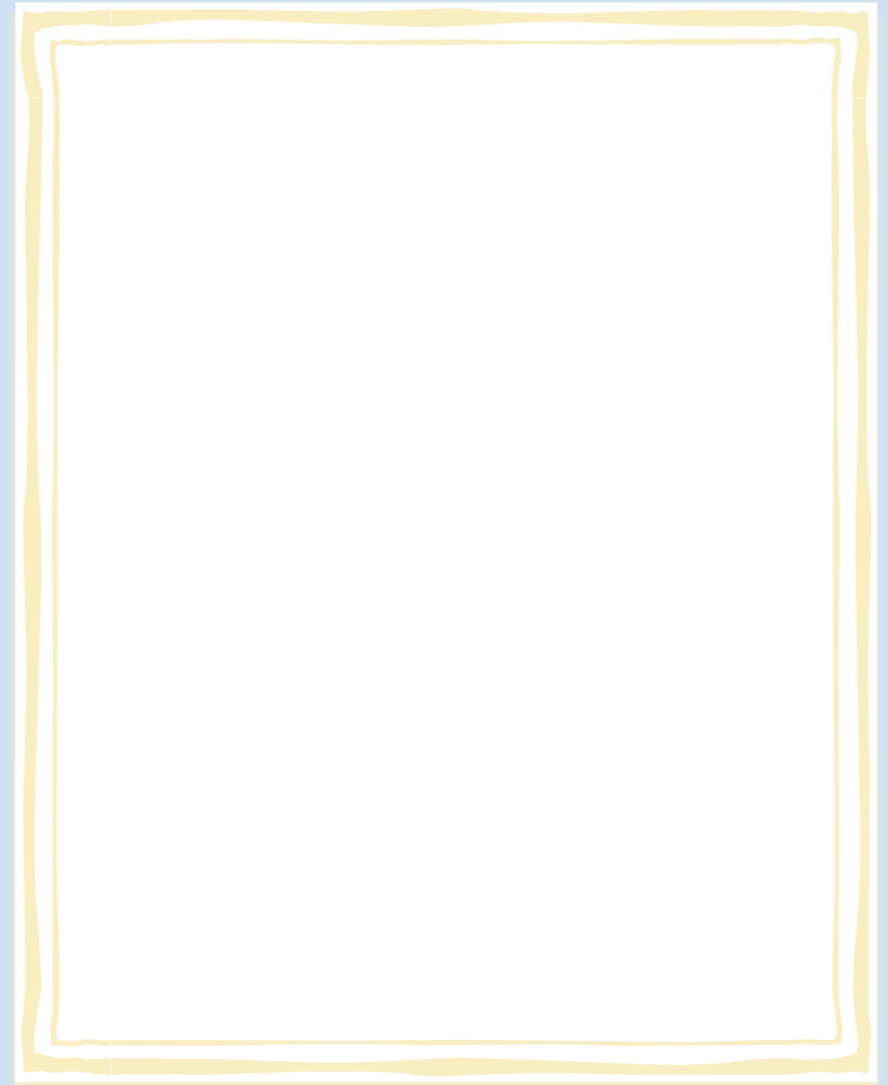
I dare na stir a leg;

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What do you
notice about
these two
words?

Words rhyme when they have
the same sounds



Draw a picture of Walter
Scott's poem



How do you think the person in Walter Scott's poem is feeling? Write down three words:

Think about something that has happened to you that was funny, scary, or annoying.

Draw a picture of the thing that happened to you.