

- A lot of poems contain or are written entirely in rhyming couplets.
- This is a pair of consecutive lines which rhyme and are the same length.
- See if you can finish each of these incomplete rhyming couplets:



Our teacher never seems to rest

A cup of tea to start the day

My sister/brother is quite a pain

Finish what you set out to do

My dad keeps all sorts in his shed

In the bottom kitchen drawer

Don't mess with dogs or row with rats

Extension activities

1. You may find that you can turn some into four line verses which could be developed into a longer poem:

'Don't mess with dogs
Or row with rats ...'

2. You could get together with some other members of the class to put your couplets together to form a longer poem. You may need to make a few changes so that the poem makes sense and has a strong rhythm.

