

Writing a Limerick

Steps to Success

1. Pick a name of a person.
2. Find some rhyming words for that name (you could look in a rhyming dictionary).
3. Think of a few ideas for a funny ending to your poem.
You could get help by using an online rhyming dictionary like <https://www.rhymer.com/write.html>
4. Write lines 1, 2 and 5 – use rhyme words from your list.
5. Check each of the lines follows this rhythm: di DUM di di DUM di di DUM.
6. Now think of some actions for lines 3 and 4, with a different rhyme.
7. Make sure lines 3 and 4 follow this rhythm: di DUM di di DUM.
8. Have another look at line 5 – does it flow on nicely from line 4? It's ok to change it a little if you need to!



Names and Rhymes	Action Rhymes

My Limerick

(You can use this template if you like)

There once was a _____ called _____

Who _____

He/She _____

And/then/but _____

Or just make up the whole thing from your rhyme sets:
