

Haiku Poem Criteria

Meets Expectations

- Writes about one season or big idea
- Includes one concrete thing per line
- In Haiku form: 3 lines, syllable count is 5-7-5
- Spelling and punctuation doesn't confuse the reader

Fully Meets Expectations: All of the above and:

- Uses some sensory language to create a picture
- In haiku form and each line is one concrete image
- Spelling and punctuation is generally correct

Exceeds Expectations-WOW! All of the above criteria and:

- Makes the reader see it, hear it, and feel it
- Poem uses specific adjective and nouns, and strong verbs to create a "poetry snapshot" the reader could draw
- Uses line breaks and poetic form (dashes, commas, periods)
- Uses surprise in the third line of haiku
- Spelling and punctuation is perfect