

# LIST POEMS

**Writing**

# Focus

## □ List Poems

- A **list poem** can be a **list** or inventory of items, people, places, feelings or ideas.
- It often involves repetition.

# Steps

- I. Don't think about writing a poem.**
- II. Just think about some special things that are in your mind & figure out what you have to say about it.**
- III. A poem doesn't need to have complete sentences or paragraphs.**
- IV. Dive into your 5 senses → touch, smell, taste, sight, hear.**
- V. Just get your main idea, feeling or both, down on a paper.**
- VI. Think of words that rhyme → to describe your feelings & ideas.**

# MY LUNCH

A candy bar. A piece of cake.  
A lollipop. A chocolate shake.  
A jelly donut. Chocolate chips.  
Some gummy worms and licorice whips.  
A candy cane. A lemon drop.  
Some bubblegum and soda pop.  
Vanilla wafers. Cherry punch.  
**My mom slept in while I made lunch.**



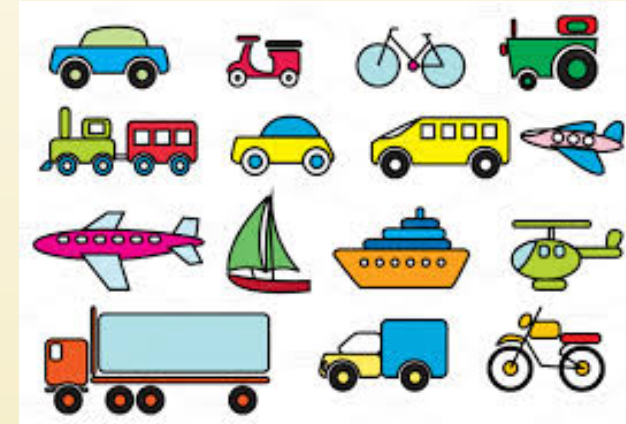
# LIST

- ✓ List poems usually have a list in the middle, plus a few lines at the beginning and a few lines at the end.
- ✓ You can think of the beginning and end of a list poem like the top and bottom slices of bread in a sandwich.
- ✓ The list is like the meat or peanut butter or whatever else is between the bread.



# THAT EXPLAINS IT!

I went to the doctor. He x-rayed my head. He stared for a moment and here's what he said. "It looks like you've got a banana in there, an apple, an orange, a peach, and a pear. I also see something that looks like a shoe, a plate of spaghetti, some fake doggy doo, an airplane, an arrow, a barrel, a chair, a salmon, a camera, some old underwear, a penny, a pickle, a pencil, a pen, a hairy canary, a hammer, a hen, a whistle, a thistle, a missile, a duck, an icicle, bicycle, tricycle, truck. with all of the junk that you have in your head it's kind of amazing you got out of bed. The good news, at least, is you shouldn't feel pain. From what I can see here you don't have a brain."



# BLEEZER'S ICE CREAM

I am Ebenezer Bleezer,  
I run BLEEZER'S ICE CREAM STORE,  
there are flavors in my freezer you have never  
seen before,  
twenty-eight divine creations too delicious to  
resist,  
why not do yourself a favor, try the flavors on  
my list:

COCOA MOCHA MACARONI  
TAPIOCA SMOKED BALONEY  
CHECKERBERRY CHEDDAR CHEW  
CHICKEN CHERRY HONEYDEW  
TUTTI-FRUTTI STEWED TOMATO  
TUNA TACO BAKED POTATO  
LOBSTER LITCHI LIMA  
BEAN MOZZARELLA MANGOSTEEN  
ALMOND HAM MERINGUE SALAMI  
YAM ANCHOVY PRUNE PASTRAMI  
SASSAFRAS SOUVLAKI HASH  
SUKIYAKI SUCCOTASH

BUTTER BRICKLE PEPPER PICKLE  
POMEGRANATE PUMPERNICKEL  
PEACH PIMENTO PIZZA PLUM  
PEANUT PUMPKIN BUBBLEGUM  
BROCCOLI BANANA BLUSTER  
CHOCOLATE CHOP SUEY CLUSTER  
AVOCADO BRUSSELS SPROUT  
PERIWINKLE SAUERKRAUT  
COTTON CANDY CARROT CUSTARD  
CAULIFLOWER COLA MUSTARD  
ONION DUMPLING DOUBLE DIP  
TURNIP TRUFFLE TRIPLE FLIP  
GARLIC GUMBO GRAVY GUAVA  
LENTIL LEMON LIVER LAVA  
ORANGE OLIVE BAGEL BEET  
WATERMELON WAFFLE WHEAT

I am Ebenezer Bleezer,  
I run BLEEZER'S ICE CREAM STORE,  
taste a flavor from my freezer,  
you will surely ask for more.



# VIDEO





# MY SHOPPING LIST

My mother said, “Go buy some bread,”  
but this is what I got instead.

A half a dozen Nestle’s Crunch.

A gallon of Hawaiian Punch.

Some Cracker Jacks. A box of Dots.

Some Pop Rocks and a jar of Zotz.

Reese’s Pieces. Tootsie Pops.

Hershey Kisses. Lemon drops.

Candy Corn, Milk Duds, and Whoppers.

Skittles, Snickers, and Gobstoppers.

When mother needs things from the store  
She never sends me anymore.

