

# **Blackout Poetry**

Rather than staring at blank page waiting for inspiration, create original poetry by taking away words. Blackout poetry is created using old book pages. Pick out the words you want to keep (using alliteration is a good way to start e.g. pick out all the words that start with the letter 'P'), then blackout all the others using marker pens.

Simple forms of blackout poetry literally just colour black over the unwanted words, but you can take it to the next level by using illustrations that link to the original text. There are thousands of examples on Google and Pinterest to inspire you. The finished results of your blackout poetry lesson will make an excellent artistic display for our book corner.

Please email your teacher with your completed piece of work. Remember if you have an old book and have checked with an adult, you can use a page from a book, magazine, newspaper etc or if not, you can use one of the templates provided.