

Lesson One

5 minutes...

- What does the word 'pleasant' mean?
- Write a list of sounds that you think are 'pleasant'.

'Pleasant Sounds'

Learning Objectives

In this lesson you will:

- Consider language used in a poem.

Task 1:

- Highlight any words you don't know. Use a dictionary to look them up and write the definition down.

Task 2:

- Find synonyms (words that have similar meanings) for the following and make a list of them:
 - Startled
 - Crumpling
 - Trampling
 - Patter

Task 3:

- Answer the questions below:
 1. List three 'pleasant sounds' from the poem.
 2. Name three things that make a sound in the poem.
 3. What time of year is the poem set?
How do you know?
 4. Which are your favourite descriptions from the poem? Why do you like them?

Task 4:

- Think back to the pleasant sounds you listed at the beginning of today's lesson.
- Write down some verbs to describe the sounds you like. Use a thesaurus to extend your vocabulary.
- For example:
 - waves: rhythmic, rolling and retreating

Task 5:

- Now using your words and sounds, develop some descriptive phrases to describe those sounds.
- Try to use similes, metaphors, personification, alliteration etc.
- For example:
 - frothing waves of peace on the shore
 - breeze gently sighs