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Read it or Sing it!



Source: *Mi primera antología Descubre el español*

Sing as you go around in circles!

Developing Phonemic Awareness

A de amigos

de amigos y alegría, de amiguito y amiguita. A de abrazos a abuelita.

La E

La E es la letra
de un elefante enamorado
de una estrella.
Disfrutaba verla
en todo su esplendor,
y tenía la esperanza
de poder alcanzarla.
¿Sabes ahora
por qué la E
tiene forma de escalera?



- Read the poem aloud.
 Do echo and choral reading whenever possible.
- Have students do something everytime they hear a certain letter sound. You may ask them to wave a piece of cloth, raise their hand, clap, etc. as they hear the sound.

Source: *Todo es canción* By Alma Flor Ada

Recognizing Rhythm, Rhyme, and Alliteration

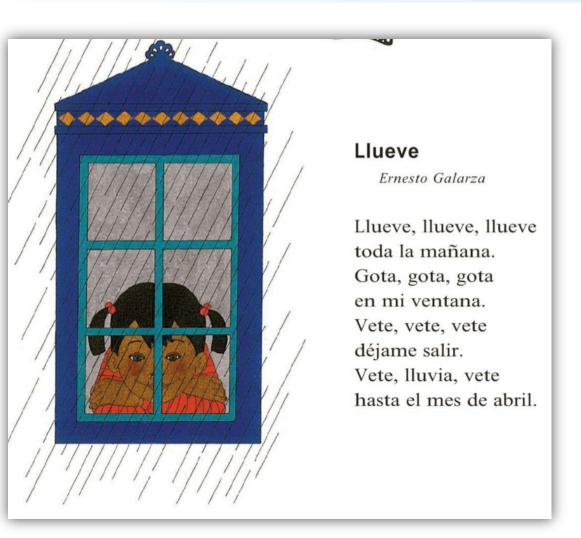


- Read poem aloud emphasizing rhythm.
 Have students clap to the rhythm of the poem.
- Have students identify rhyming words by having them point to the words or write them down.
- Help students identify alliteration by having them look for words with the same initial sound.
- Incorporate movement whenever possible!

Source: Pimpón

Puertas al Sol Collection

Understanding Tone and Expression



- Ask students how they feel about rainy days.
- Read the poem aloud.
- Ask students how the author feels about rainy days.
 Ask why they think the writer feels that way.

Source: *Antón Pirulero*Puertas al Sol Collection

Analyzing and interpreting text



- Look for rhythm, rhyme, and repetition.
- Identify and describe how the author creates images.

Source: *Jugando* con las vocales
By Margarita Robleda

Connecting Poetry to Writing

Me gustaría tener algo difícil de creer, algo que nunca, nunca, o bueno... casi nunca se puede ver.



Algo como...

- 1. Write a line to complete this rhyme.
- 2. Work as a group.

 Combine your lines to create a poem.
- 3. Share your work!

(Did anyone say "Act it out"?)

tres elefantes usando guantes.