

# Our World

Poetry Competition

## Write a Haiku

WRITE A HAIKU ABOUT OUR WORLD  
YOU CAN DECIDE ON WHAT THAT MEANS TO YOU

COMPETITION DEADLINE:  
FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JULY

### What is a haiku?

- It is an ancient form of poetry that originated in Japan
- It has a simple structure based on the number of syllables in each line (5,7,5)
- Haikus are usually written about nature or one moment in time
- They are rarely given titles



### An example

Ask the protestors.  
What do you hope to see next?  
Peace for all on Earth.

### An example

Leaves shake in the wind  
whispering, wandering, wild  
until the silence.

### How to get started



Decide on a topic



Make a list of words and images linked to your idea – you could use your journal



Start turning them into lines of poetry

### Remember the rules!

A haiku is...

- 3 lines long
- 5 syllables
- 7 syllables
- 5 syllables

It doesn't need a title



All you have to do is submit your Haiku Poem  
FAO Mr Burnage to:

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by Friday 3rd July for your chance to win.

Good luck and happy writing!

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