

# Haiku

**Haiku:** a Japanese poem that is a three-line poem with seventeen syllables, written in a **5/7/5** syllable count. Often focusing on images from nature, haiku emphasizes simplicity, intensity, and directness of expression.

## Examples:

An old silent pond...

A frog jumps into the pond,  
splash! Silence again.

-Basho



Over the wintry  
forest, winds howl in rage  
with no leaves to blow.

- Soseki



how wonderful it can fly  
singing with the trees  
is it part of mysteries?

-Anonymous

