

Name \_\_\_\_\_ **Limerick**



# Writing Limericks

A **limerick** is a poem that is five-lines long.

## FORMAT

- The rhyme scheme is AABBA.
- The first, second and fifth lines have 8 syllables each
- The third and fourth lines have 5 syllables each

## EXAMPLE

There was an old man in a tree,  
Whose whiskers were lovely to see;  
But the birds of the air  
Pluck'd them perfectly bare,  
To make themselves nests in that tree.

~ Edward Lear

Use the template below to write your own limerick.

1	_____	A
	8 syllables	
2	_____	A
	8 syllables	
3	_____	B
	5 syllables	
4	_____	B
	5 syllables	
5	_____	A
	8 syllables	