

## A haiku

A haiku is a short Japanese poem with three lines. The first line has got five syllables, the second line has got seven and the last line has got five. That's a total of 17 syllables. The lines don't rhyme.

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### How to speak to a large group

Remember to think about the following ideas.

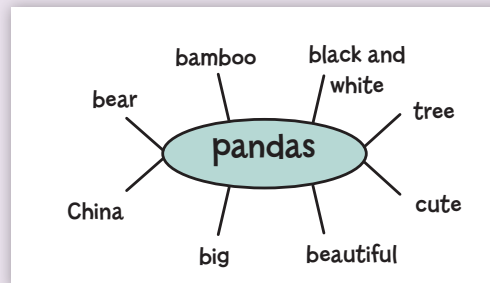
- Introduce yourself.
- Wait for everyone to be quiet so you can start speaking.
- Take a deep breath before you speak!
- Try to stand still when speaking.
- Look at your audience.
- Remember to smile!
- Speak slowly and clearly, and make sure everyone can hear you.
- Enjoy what you are saying.
- Time your presentation.

## PLAN

- 1 Work with a group or on your own. Choose a topic you like from the box or choose your own topic. Then complete the steps below.

animals friends love music nature  
school the five senses the weather

- Think about your topic – how does it make you feel?
- Draw some pictures or find some photos about your topic.
- Brainstorm as many words as you can about the topic and include some of your feelings.
- Choose your favourite words.



- Organise your words into sentences. Remember to count the syllables in each line.
- Check the number of syllables in each line and change words, if necessary.
- Write the final version of your haiku.

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## PRESENT

- 2 When you are happy with your haiku, read it to the class. Remember to include words related to your topic, three lines with the correct number of syllables, and the tips from *How to speak to a large group*.

## CHECK

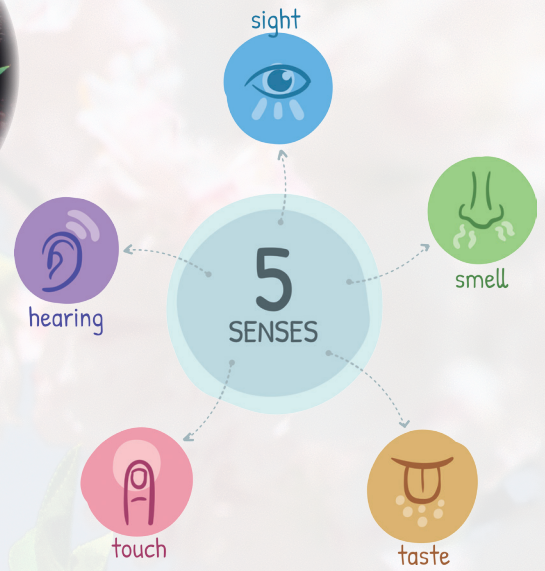
- 3 Listen to your classmates' haikus and complete the notes. What is your favourite haiku?

What is it about?

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Black and white panda  
Come down from your tree and see  
The bamboo for you.



The leaves on the trees  
Are falling to the ground now  
It's autumn again.

We have five of them  
To see, hear, taste, touch and smell  
They help us to live.

We study at school  
History, music and English  
Art, drama and more.



My friends are the best  
They make me laugh and feel good  
Have you got a friend?

