

SHAPE POEMS

A poem that forms a specific shape on a page is a *diamante*. This unrhymed poem forms a diamond shape when completed. In a diamante, the writer compares two opposite ideas. Here is an example:

WINTER

Dark, cold

Raining, heating, snuggling

Windy, scarves, sunglasses, humid

Swimming, playing, sweating

Bright, hot

SUMMER

The format of a diamante is as follows:

Line 1—names the first subject

Line 2—contains two words that describe the subject

Line 3—contains three words ending in *-ing* about the subject

Line 4—contains two words about the first subject and two words about the opposite subject

Line 5—contains three words ending in *-ing*

Line 6—contains two words that describe the opposite subject

Line 7—names the opposite subject.

Create a diamante poem titled 'Day/Night'
