

Animal poetry

The Elephant

One long trunk
Four thick legs
Two sharp tusks
Thumping, plodding, crashing
Wrinkled and noble
Like a giant bulldozer
Old man of Africa



This poem has a very simple structure, which can be copied to make a new poem.

One long trunk

Number, adjective, body part

Four thick legs

Number, adjective, body part

Two sharp tusks

Number, adjective, body part

Thumping, plodding, crashing

Three verbs

Wrinkled and noble

Two adjectives

Like a giant bulldozer

Simile

Old man of Africa

Statement

So an alternative version could be:

Two wrinkled eyes

Number, adjective, body part

One tiny tail

Number, adjective, body part

Two flapping ears

Number, adjective, body part

Marching, stamping, thrashing

Three verbs

Grey and wise

Two adjectives

Like an enormous brick wall

Simile

Wisest of them all

Statement

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Use the same structure to make up poems about other animals from the text.

The Leopard



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- *Number, adjective, body part*
- *Number, adjective, body*
- *Number, adjective, body part*
- *Three verbs*
- *Two adjectives*
- *Simile*
- *Statement*

The Lion



- *Number, adjective, body part*
- *Number, adjective, body*
- *Number, adjective, body part*
- *Three verbs*
- *Two adjectives*
- *Simile*
- *Statement*

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The Rhinoceros



- *Number, adjective, body part*
- *Number, adjective, body*
- *Number, adjective, body part*
- *Three verbs*
- *Two adjectives*
- *Simile*
- *Statement*

The Vulture



- *Number, adjective, body part*
- *Number, adjective, body*
- *Number, adjective, body part*
- *Three verbs*
- *Two adjectives*
- *Simile*
- *Statement*

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The Zebra



- *Number, adjective, body part*
- *Number, adjective, body*
- *Number, adjective, body part*
- *Three verbs*
- *Two adjectives*
- *Simile*
- *Statement*

The Gazelle



- *Number, adjective, body part*
- *Number, adjective, body*
- *Number, adjective, body part*
- *Three verbs*
- *Two adjectives*
- *Simile*
- *Statement*