

**Title:** Adventure Haiku

**Subject:** English Language Arts

**Specific Curriculum Outcomes:**

Grade 1: 4.1, 4.2, 4.6

Grade 2: 4.2, 6.2, 9.1, 10.3

Grade 3: 4.2, 6.1, 9.1, 10.3

Grade 4: 4.3, 8.1, 10.2

Grade 5: 4.3, 9.1, 10.2

Grade 6: 8.1, 9.1, 10.4

**Grades:** 1 – 6

**Time:** 30 min. - 1 hour

**Objective:** Students will explore Haikus as a form of poetry and creative expression. By demonstrating skills related to brainstorming, counting and recording syllables, organization and creative writing, students will understand the construction of Haikus.

**Method:** Every night in camp Dave and Dan write a Haiku, which relate to a daily event, feelings or the natural world around them. These short poems will be updated daily in our blog.

Share our Haikus from our blog as examples to inspire your students to write their own Haiku.

Use the worksheet provided to facilitate your lesson.

Remember to share your Haikus with us in our comment section of our blog a [www.greeneradventures.ca](http://www.greeneradventures.ca). Your poems will provide us with so much needed inspiration on the trail!

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# Haiku Starter

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

To help summarize a day on the trail, Dave and Dan write a piece of Japanese poetry every night called a **Haiku**. Typically, haikus are written about nature, but they can be about any topic. Haikus have a very specific syllable structure. The first line of every haiku has 5 syllables, the second line has 7 syllables, and the last line has 5 syllables. For example:

Once upon a time,  
Two boys and two dogs,  
they dreamed to go far.

Use the space below to brainstorm, plan and write your own haiku. Choose Your Topic about going outside and playing (Adventuring) in nature:

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## Brainstorm Words

Brainstorm a list of words about your topic. Next to each word, write the number of syllables in the brackets.

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## Haiku Starter

Write Your Draft

Now that you have brainstormed some words about your topic, you can draft your haiku below. You do not have to use only the words from your brainstormed list, but each line will need to form either 5 or 7 syllables. Be creative!

Title:

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Line 1 (5 syllables)

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Line 2 (7 syllables)

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Line 3 (5 syllables)

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