

WORLD POETRY DAY. MARCH 21st

A HAIKU HOW-TO

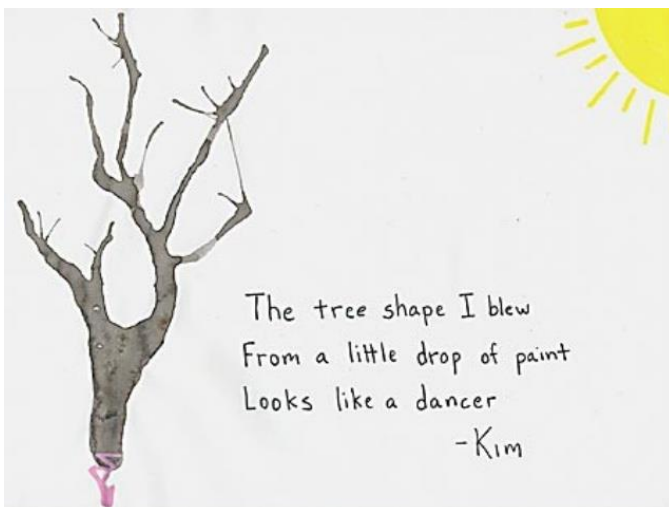
Five syllables in the first line

Seven syllables in the second line

Five syllables in the last line

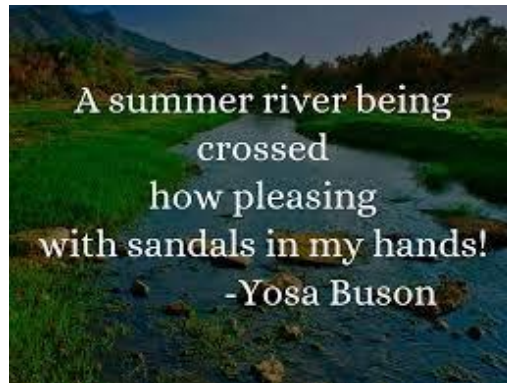
What is Haiku?

- * an ancient form of Japanese poetry
- * has 17 "moras" which are similar to syllables
- * usually has a "kigo" which is a reference to one of the seasons
- * are written in one vertical line of characters called "kanji" (Japanese words in calligraphy)
- * usually focus on the natural world

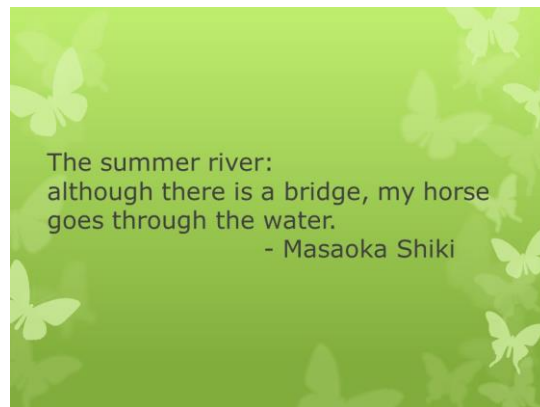


The tree shape I blew
From a little drop of paint
Looks like a dancer
-Kim

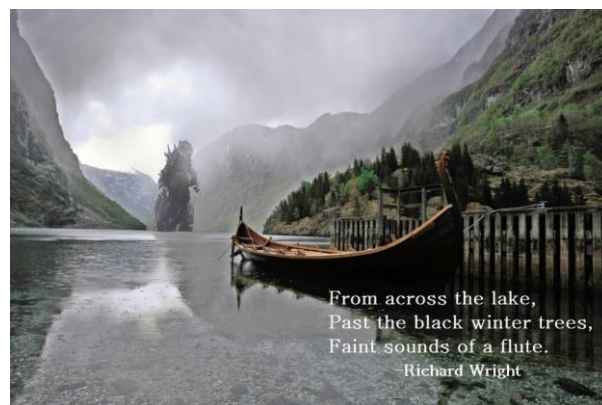
Here are three examples of haiku poems



By Yosa Buson (1716-1784), a haiku master poet and painter: (not complete)



By Masaoka Shiki (1867-1902), credited with reviving the haiku and developing its modern format (not complete)



20th-century haiku poem, by Richard Wright, American poet.

NOW YOU ! Write a haiku

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