



Valentine Rhythms

1. Say and clap the poems, line by line. Write the rhythm that seems natural above each syllable.
2. Count and clap your rhythm.
3. Optional: Make up a melody to go with your rhythm.
4. Optional: Make up an alternate rhythm to go with the poem, using beats that don't feel so natural. For example, change the time signature or use syncopation.

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Ro-ses are red,

Vio-lets are blue,

Su-gar is sweet, and

So are you.



Ro-ses are red

Vio-lets are blue

Fa-ces like yours be-

long in the zoo.



Ro-ses are red,

Vio-lets are blue,

Some po-ems rhyme, but

This one does-n't.

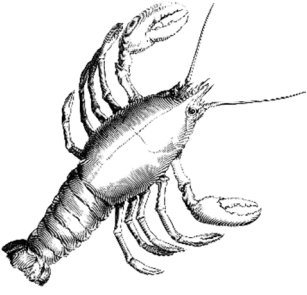


Ro-ses are red,

Vio-lets are blue,

Flow-ers are nice, but they

Make me “A-choo!”



Lob-sters are red,

Ze-bras are striped,

Skunks can be stink-y, and

Hedge-hogs are spiked.