

Rhyme Types

Perfect

Both the ending consonants (if any) and the stressed vowel sounds of the two words match exactly.

well, sell; chase, face; form, dorm

Family

The stressed vowel sounds match exactly and the ending consonant sounds are closely linked.

wet, deck; name, grain; math, pass

Additive

A consonant ending has been added to the matching vowel sound.

stow, hope; year, feared; down, found

Subtractive

A consonant ending has been deleted from the matching vowel sound.

bake, stay; shout, now; roll, know

Assonance

The stressed vowel sounds match, but the ending consonant sounds are different.

rope, known; straight, fame; still, grip

Consonance

The vowel sounds do not match, but the ending consonant sounds are the same.

bag, log; ground, bond; sock, back

Rhyme Patterns

4-Line Sections

AAAA

XAXA

ABAB

AABB

6-Line Sections

XXAXXA

AABCCB

ABCABD

ABABCC