

Couplet

- Couplets are made up of two lines of poetry that rhyme.
- Each line should have about the same number of syllables.
- Sets of couplets join together to form stanzas and a poem.

Example:

Papa's what we call my dad,
Don't go near him when he's mad.

My mom is a lot of fun,
Laughing, singing, on the run.

Then, of course, my sister Pat,
Always worried she's getting fat!

I'm the one who's in-between,
Never heard and seldom seen.

Last, the one who's like no other,
Ben, my one and only brother.

On your first draft paper (yellow legal paper)

1. Make a list of the people in your family. Include grandparents, other people who may live with you, step-family, etc. Write the person's name and tell how he or she is related to you.
2. Write one sentence or phrase about each person telling something special about him/her.
3. Write a couplet about each family member you included in your list.