



## DIAMANTE POEM All About Snow!

Dream of snow or go play in it! Write a diamante poem all about the snow and the fun things kids can do in it.

Most writers respond well to diamante poems because the expectations are so clear.

NOUN  
ADJECTIVE, ADJECTIVE  
VERB-ing, VERB-ing, VERB-ing  
NOUN, NOUN, NOUN, NOUN  
VERB-ing, VERB-ing, VERB-ing  
ADJECTIVE, ADJECTIVE  
NOUN

Diamante poems also lend the perfect opportunity to teach or review nouns, adjectives and verbs.

Here are the steps I use to teach this lesson:

1. Explain to the students that they're going to write a diamante poem about snow.
2. Show the format of a diamante poem (see the diamond above)
3. Take a minute to make sure your writers know that:  
A noun is a person, place or thing.  
An adjective describes a noun.  
A verb is an action word. It tells what the noun does.

Now to write!

1. On the top line, write the word snow.
2. On the second line, write 2 adjectives that describe snow.
3. On the third line, write 3 -ing verbs that you like to do in the snow or that snow does.
4. On the fourth line, write 4 nouns that snow makes you think of.
5. On the fifth line, write 3 new -ing verbs that you can do in snow or that snow does.
6. On the sixth line, write 2 new adjectives that describe snow.
7. On the seventh line, write snow or a noun that is related to snow.
8. When the child is finished writing, decorate the 4 corners with easy snow art accents.

