

# Build a rainforest poem

- Read the poem 'My Mate Tony'. Now look at the first chart below. Every time something in the poem relates to one of these things, enter it in the correct column. You can also write in things that are implied. This means they are not actually mentioned, but the words of the poem suggest it. For example, what things suggest that Tony is sweating? Or popular?

Sights	Sounds	Smells	Movements	Textures	Feelings

- Look at the rainforest poster. Imagine you are in the forest. Decide who you are – you could be an animal, a rainforest dweller, yourself exploring, someone filming for television, an expert on rainforests or someone with no expertise who is lost.
- List ideas in the columns below to describe your situation.

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- When you have plenty to choose from, begin to build a poem about your journey through the forest, using the ideas from the chart that you think describe it best. This is how the poem 'My Mate Tony' was written.