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The Beat of the Dragon Boat- Poetry Activity

At the beginning of the story, Yeye tells Xiao Long the legend of the Dragon King and his friend the poet Qu Yuan. Qu Yuan wrote beautiful poetry about nature and encouraged the villagers to play music on the dragon boats to make it rain. A “couplet” is a type of poem where the last two words of each line rhyme. Using the words below, write a short rhyming couplet. You can use the suggested rhyming words for your poem or come up with some words yourself!

Word	Rhyming Word Suggestions	Poetry Couplet
King	Ring Thing Sing	There once was a Dragon King, Who wanted to make the water sing.
Eye	Fly Cry Try	
Drum	Come Thrum Some	
Beat	Heat Seat Compete	
Rain	Plain Train Pain	
Boom	Zoom Loom Room	