

# KS2 Poetry Editing Checklist

Use this checklist to help improve your poem. Editing does not mean starting again — it means making your poem clearer, stronger and more interesting.

- ■ Have I chosen strong verbs?
- ■ Have I added at least one clear image?
- ■ Can the reader picture what is happening?
- ■ Can the reader hear any sounds?
- ■ Have I removed weak or repeated words?
- ■ Does my poem sound smooth when I read it aloud?
- ■ Have I improved at least one word or line?
- ■ Is there one line I feel especially proud of?

Teacher tip: Encourage pupils to read their poem aloud to a partner — listening often reveals improvements straight away.