

# PARTS OF A POEM

Read the definitions for the parts of a poem. Then identify each part in the poem below by filling in the blanks in the diagram.

**Line:** the simplest part of a poem, a line is a group of words that are all on the same line

**Stanza:** similar to a paragraph in prose, a stanza is a group of lines that belong together. A stanza can be composed of any number of lines, but are most often four or six lines long.

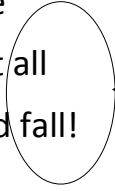
**Rhyme:** Many poems rhyme. To say that two lines rhyme means that the last word of each line rhymes.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

## Adelaide the Elephant

2. \_\_\_\_\_

An elephant climbed up a really tall tree  
She wanted to know just how far she could see  
But the tree shook so much she couldn't see at all  
And instead only found out how hard she could fall!



3. \_\_\_\_\_

A mouse in the grass watched the whole escapade  
Why bother? He said to poor, poor Adelaide  
An elephant's | meant to be | standing on | ground  
Which is why, | the mouse said, | I think you | have been downed!