

I Wrote This In Less Than Thirty Minutes
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At the time of writing this, this poem isn't done
At the time of writing this, I have just begun
At the time of writing this, It's 3:10 minus one
At the time of writing this, I'm having a bit of fun

"Write a poem in thirty minutes"
"Write a poem in half an hour"
"I know you'll forget it if you don't write it all at once"
That's true, but I don't have that time
And of course, this has to rhyme
And I don't want to repeat the rhyme scheme
Of Irony: The Poem

This'll probably be less than a page
As poems where the poet has a self-imposed time limit are
I only have 15 minutes left
Before I go home in a car

Why did I specify my means of transportation?
Isn't that one obvious?
It's for a rhyme's creation!
What if I randomly stop rhyming
Really, I don't think that'll work
Plus, I'm running out of time
I'm running out of time

I know I'll forget this poem
If I don't write it all at once
So I'm here
Typing words
Does this poem make sense at all?

At the time of writing this, this poem's almost done
(I think)
At the time of writing this, I haven't made a pun
(I think)
At the time of writing this, in the sky there is a sun
(I think)

But that doesn't matter because
I wrote this poem in less than half an hour

And time is running out
Time is running out
Time is running out