

Global Book Bag

Title: Kiyoshi's Walk

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Global Competence: Explore the world with curiosity



After Kiyoshi watches his grandfather, Eto, compose his delicate haiku, he wonders out loud: "Where do poems come from?" His grandfather answers by taking him on a walk through their city, where they see a cat perched on a hill of oranges; hear the fluttering of wings; imagine what's behind a tall wall; and discuss their walk, with each incident inspiring a wonderful new haiku from Eto. As Kiyoshi discovers that poems come from the way the world outside of us meets the world within each of us, he also finds the courage to write a haiku of his own.

Virtual Library Shelf

<https://bit.ly/3gIXAUV>



Bag Contents:

- Notebook
- Pencil

Directions:

- With an adult in your home, read the book or watch the read aloud.
- Open the notebook to the next blank page.
- Write your name and the date on the top.

1. Now it's your turn to write a Haiku. Get inspired by taking a walk with an adult outside or walking around the room you are in. Explore your surroundings and look for ordinary things. Write a Haiku poem in the notebook. A Haiku poem is always written in three lines. Keep it simple or try to write a traditional Haiku where the first line has 5 syllables, the second line has 7 syllables and the third line has 5 syllables.

Keep Learning! (optional)

1. Use the attached document to help you brainstorm words and count their syllables.
https://www.readwritethink.org/sites/default/files/30697_haiku.pdf
2. Play Renga. Renga is a poetry game where one person writes the first line of a haiku and the other person writes the next line.

3. Discuss what it means to “Explore the world with curiosity.”

