LO: To listen and discuss

In our reading lessons, we are going to listen to and discuss different types of poems.

We will look at different concepts you might find in poetry including

- Rhythm and rhyme
- Personification
- Personal response
- Metaphor and simile
- Analogy
- Alliteration
- Vocabulary
- Creating visual images

What is the poem about?

What do you think of the vocabulary the poet has used?

What does it make you think of?

What do you see/hear/think/wonder?

How does it make you feel?

Are there any parts you are unsure about?

The Camels Complaint

by Charles E. Carryl



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oMvs37sBzg4

The Camel's Complaint

Charles E. Carryl

Canary-birds feed on sugar and seed,

Parrots have crackers to crunch;

And, as for the poodles, they tell me the noodles

Have chickens and cream for their lunch.

But there's never a question

About MY digestion—

Anything does for me!

Cats, you're aware, can repose in a chair,

Chickens can roost upon rails;

Puppies are able to sleep in a stable,

And oysters can slumber in pails.

But no one supposes

A poor Camel dozes—

Any place does for me!

Lambs are inclosed where it's never exposed,

Coops are constructed for hens;

Kittens are treated to houses well heated,

And pigs are protected by pens.

But a Camel comes handy

Wherever it's sandy—

Anywhere does for me!

People would laugh if you rode a giraffe,

Or mounted the back of an ox;

It's nobody's habit to ride on a rabbit,

Or try to bestraddle a fox.

But as for a Camel, he's

Ridden by families—

Any load does for me!

"A snake is as round as a hole in the ground,

And weasels are wavy and sleek;

And no alligator could ever be straighter

Than lizards that live in a creek.

But a Camel's all lumpy

And bumpy and humpy—

Any shape does for me!"