

POETRY

Kindergarten Lesson 2:
"We Have a Little Garden" by Beatrix Potter



Introduction



Today we are going to read a poem about a garden.
It uses some special vocabulary words that describe plants.

To *sow* a seed means to plant it.

When a plant is *blighted*, it is sick.

As I read, listen to learn what happens in the garden and how the gardeners feel about it.

Read “We Have a Little Garden”
by Beatrix Potter aloud.

The poem can be found on the program’s digital components site.

What happens in the garden?

How do the gardeners feel about it? How do you know?

What happens in the garden?

The seeds get planted, watered, and tended.

How do the gardeners feel about it?

They love the garden and take care of it.

How do you know?

The poem says they love it and water the seeds.

Reading



When we studied nursery rhymes, we learned about **rhyming words**.

What are words that **rhyme**?

Words that have different beginning sounds but end with the same sound are said to rhyme.

Example: cat/hat, big/pig, coat/goat, bake/take

I will read the poem again.

This time, listen for rhyming words.

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What rhyming words did you hear?

Rhyming words:

own sown

care there

I will read the poem one more time. After I read a line, you will repeat it.

Listen for where the rhyming words appear. Are they at the beginning of a line, in the middle of a line, or at the end of a line?

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Raise your hand if you believe the rhymes
appeared

at the beginning of a line

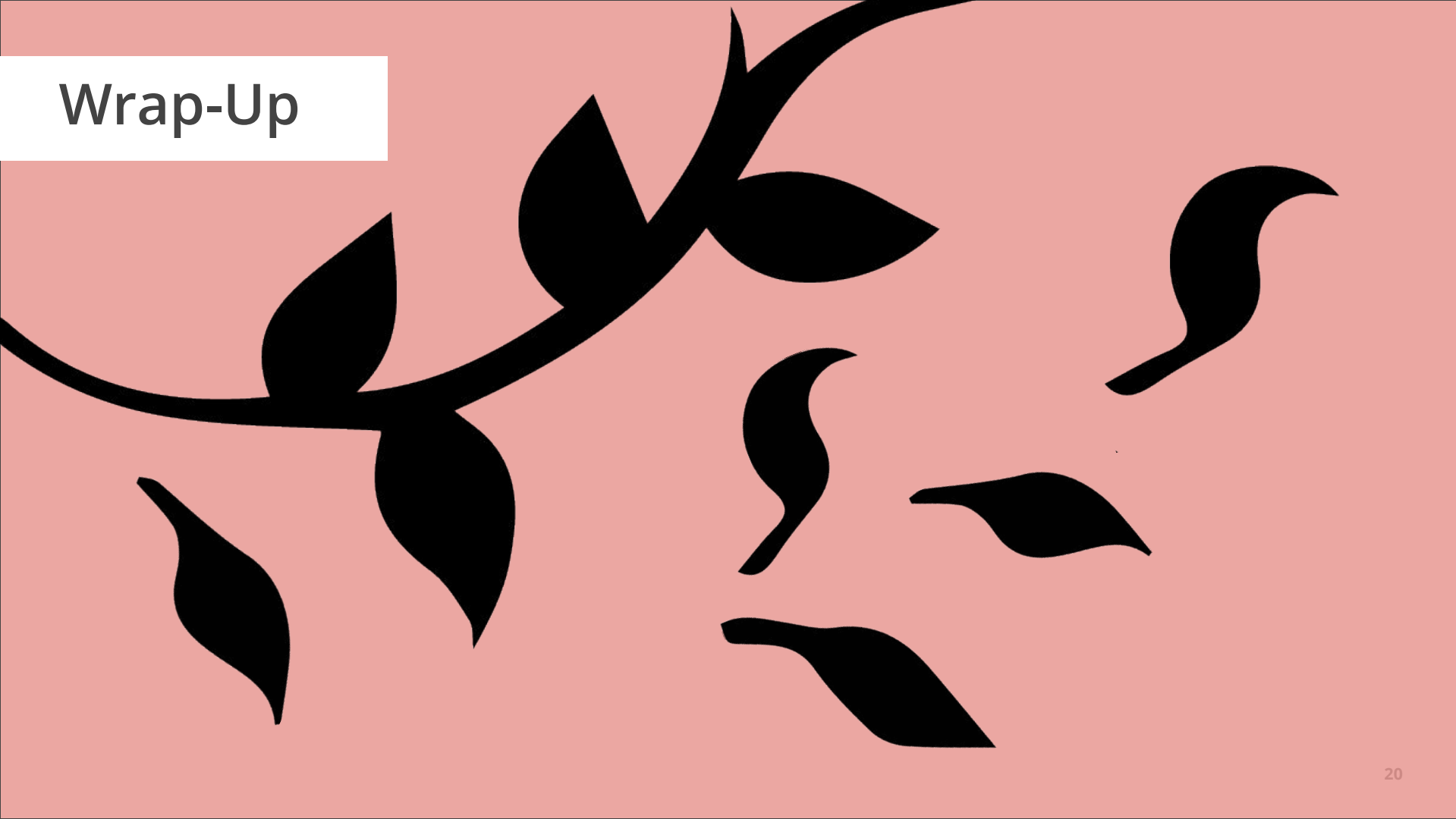
in the middle of a line

at the end of a line

If you voted for the end of a line, that’s right!

In this poem, the rhyming words are at the end of the lines.

Wrap-Up

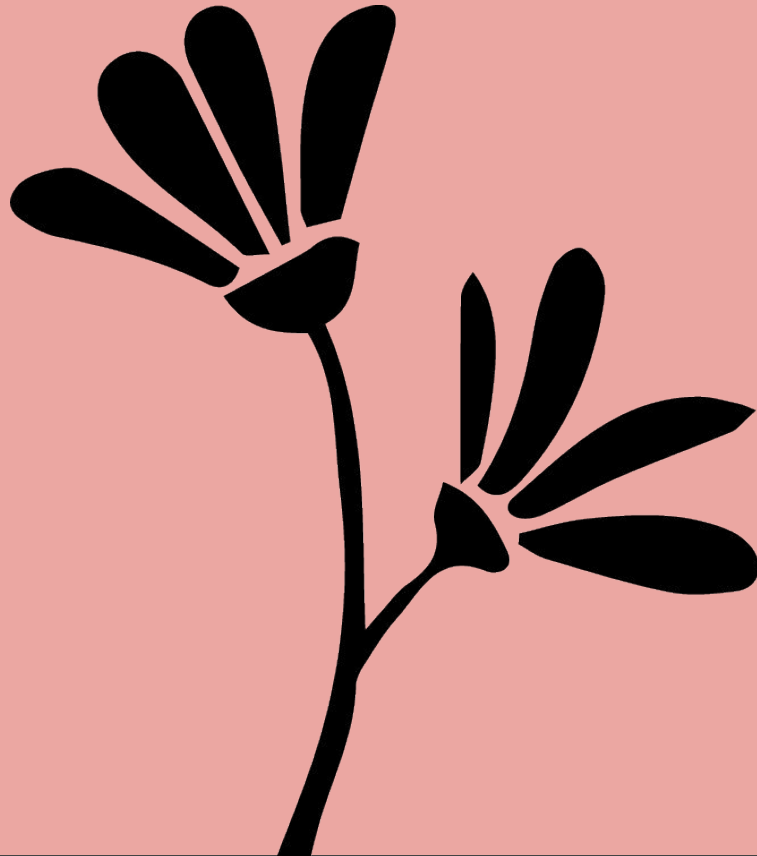


Now you will make your own rhyme.

In the poem you heard the word *day*.

Turn to your partner and whisper a word that rhymes with *day*.

Answer



Here are some words that rhyme with *day*. Raise your hand if I name the word you whispered to your partner.

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Can you think of any others?