

Shape poems take the shape of the subject about which the poet is writing. A poem about a bell might be shaped as a bell. A poem about love may take the shape of a heart.

**Directions:** Think about the shape of the tree below. Gather vivid, descriptive words about a tree. Write a poem about the tree within the shape of a tree.

A large rectangular box with rounded corners containing a tree-shaped outline made of horizontal lines. The lines are centered and increase in length from top to bottom, forming a triangular shape. There are two short horizontal lines at the top, followed by lines that gradually increase in length, reaching the longest line at the bottom, and then two short horizontal lines at the very bottom.