

PET POEMS PLUS

How to write poems about pets
(also not just pets)



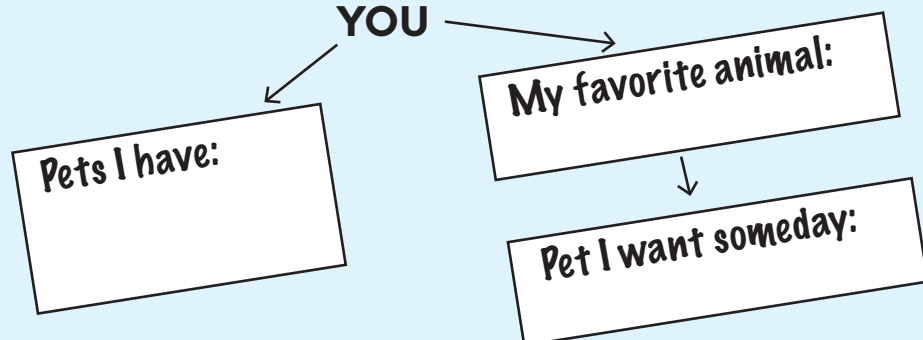
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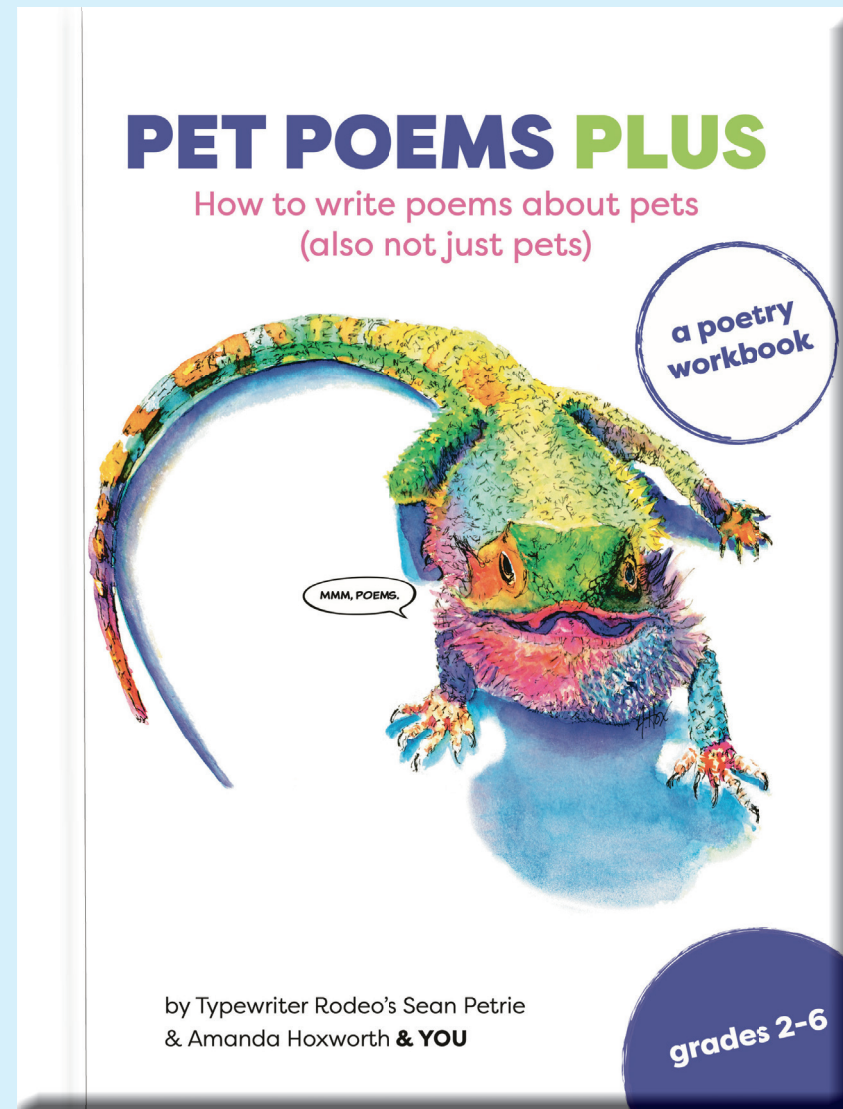
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This book in your hands



Is more of a **PLAY**book than a WORKbook.

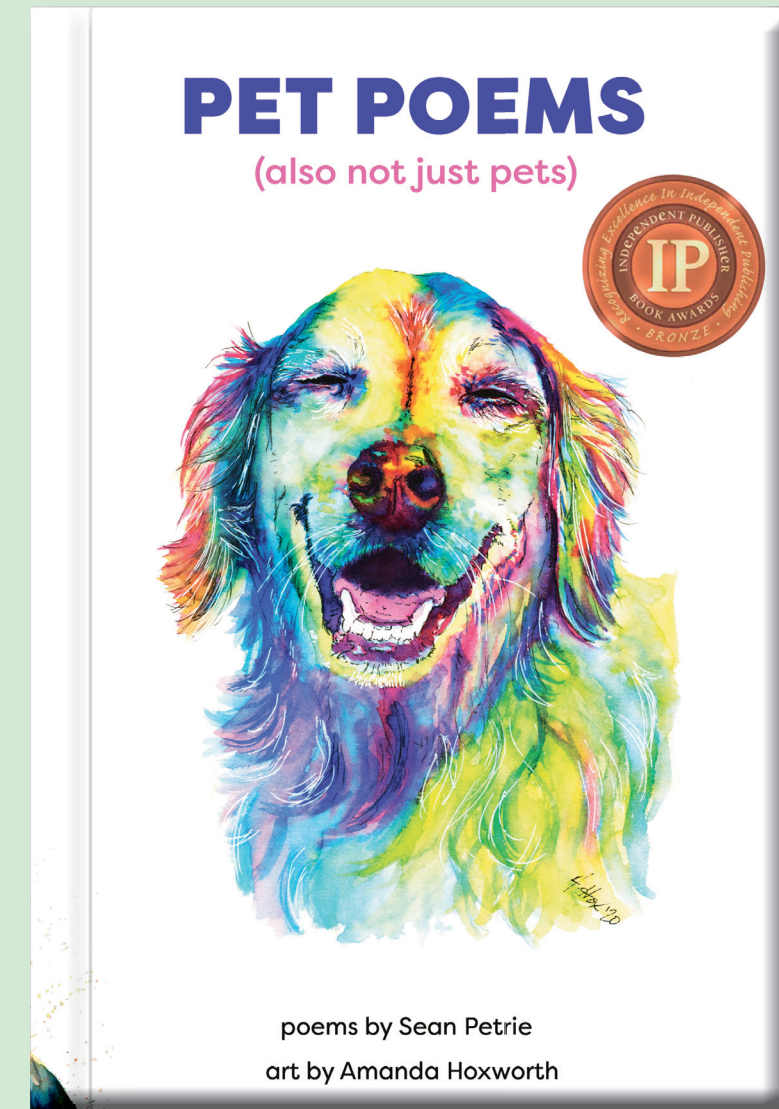
Because creating things should be **FUN**.



Whenever you see this on a page, it means there's also a **VIDEO** to watch at www.PetPoemsPlus.com. (Make sure you have permission from an adult first)

Educators and parents can also download a free **Teacher's Guide** at www.PetPoemsPlus.com.

This other book



has **examples** of what we'll create.

But if you don't have it, don't worry -- we'll give you everything you need in these pages.

And who are we?

we are

the authors!



We're the authors of the award-winning poetry book, *PET POEMS (also not just pets)*.

Sean has also written a bunch of other books. And over 20,000 poems, most on a typewriter!

Amanda is also a professional artist. She's made lots of art, most by throwing paint on paper!

But, we're not the **ONLY** authors here --

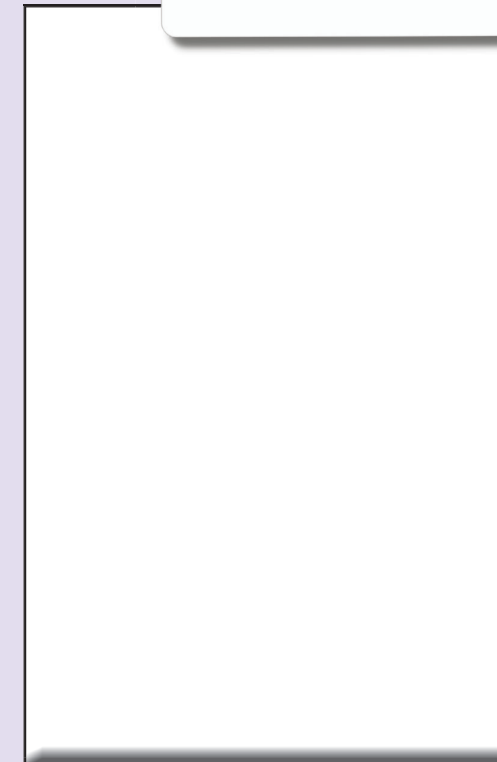


YOU are too!



Please write your name here

Yes, you can write in here -- it's your book!



Please put a picture of yourself in the box above -- draw, tape a photo, put a smiley face, do whatever you want!

Excellent! Now, **the THREE of us** (go, Team Authors!) are all set to create cool stuff about pets (also not just pets)...



See our **Hello! video** at www.PetPoemsPlus.com!



READY??

1. Name this Owl

Look at this owl.
Not just a quick glance --
STUDY it.



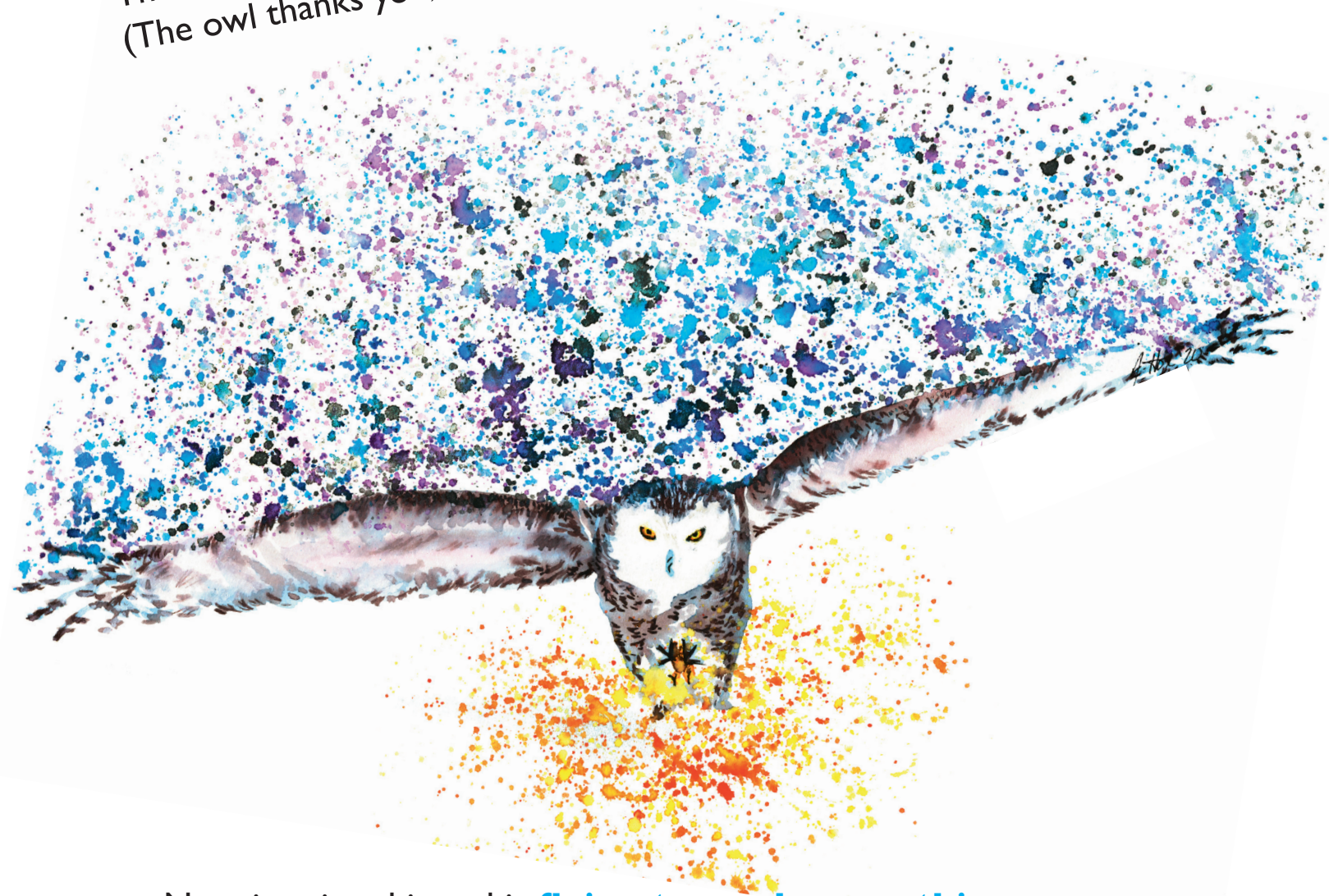
**Now, what NAME
do you think it wants to go by?**

Maybe it wants a name like Nick or Esme.
Or something like Wind or Happy.

Please **write** the name you think it wants over here.
There is no wrong name.

HELLO
My Name Is _____

Thank you!
(The owl thanks you, too!)



Now, imagine this owl is **flying towards something**.

Maybe it's headed towards home, or food, or its owly friends, or something else. **There is no wrong thing the owl is flying towards.**

Please **draw** what it's flying towards, in this box:



Awesome! You just gave this owl a **mission!**

In the oval below, please **write** its name again.

In the box under it, please **write** what the owl would say to finish each line if it could talk. For example, what would it say it's flying towards?

You might **study the owl** and your drawing on the other page to help.

owl's name

I am flying towards

I am faster than

In my dreams, I can

what the owl would say



Yup, this page has a video at [PetPoemsPlus.com](https://www.petpoemsplus.com)

When you're done, turn the page --

Hello, POET!!



What you just wrote?

IT'S A POEM.

Just like music only needs **sounds**,
a poem only needs **words**.

It doesn't have to rhyme or be about love.
It doesn't even have to make sense!

That's one of the blissful things about poems:

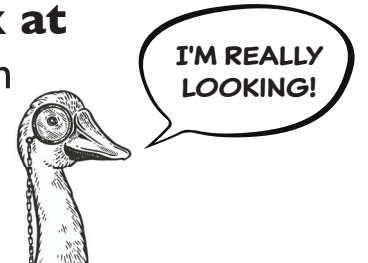
THERE. ARE. NO. RULES.

In poetry, you can be a rebel.

But, if there are no poetry rules --

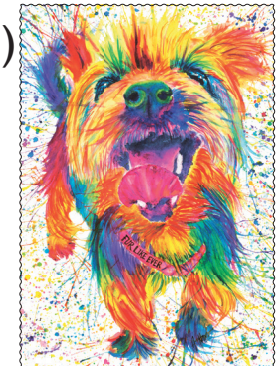
What makes a good poem?

Well, it seems to help if you **really look at** what the poem is about. Like you did with your owl poem!



That's what Sean did to help with the poem below from *Pet Poems*.

First, Amanda painted this dog. (Hi, dog!)



Then Sean **looked** at it a while ... and named it Thimble. (Hi, Thimble!)

Then Sean **imagined** what Thimble would say if it could talk...

Thimble

I am tiny
But full of power!
I can run in circles
For one full hour!

That's an IMAGINE poem.

It imagines what an animal would say if it could talk.

You've already written an **IMAGINE** poem!
That's what your owl poem was.

? What **else** could you do an **IMAGINE** poem about? Well, to find out let's -- 7

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