

A whimsical illustration of a person with long hair, wearing a patterned dress, sitting and reading a large open book. They are surrounded by their pets: a parrot on a perch to the left, a stack of books with a small white cat sitting in front of them, a white cat sitting to the right, a grey cat sitting in the foreground, and a black cat sitting to the right. A small mouse is also visible near the grey cat. The entire scene is enclosed within a circular border of small pink dots.

Ruby settles next to me,
Ears up, eyes twinkling,
Asking without words
D*o you have a book?*
I show her the cover.
N*ice*, she wriggles.
G*o on*, she nudges, so I
Begin turning shapes into sounds,
Uncovering a new world,
Discovering new friends.
D*id you like it?* I ask at the end.
Y*es*, she yips. **A***gain! Again!*



Try writing a special poem called an **acrostic poem**. In an acrostic poem, the first letter of each line spells a key word (like **READING BUDDY**). You can write about a special animal, a school experience, a favorite book, or something else that interests you.

A black and white line drawing in the bottom right corner. It depicts two figures sitting on the ground, engrossed in reading books. The figure on the left wears a cap and glasses, while the figure on the right wears glasses. Several books are stacked on the ground between them. In the foreground, there is a wire birdcage and a small bird standing nearby. A decorative green dotted line arches over the scene.



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