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Teacher guided writing Let's practise	Independent writing Let's write	Resource sheets
The next part of the poem – the Pied Piper takes away other animals from the town	The next part of the poem – the Mayor pays the Pied Piper and the animals come back The poem – th	Creating a narrative poem
First scene of a play – Mrs Polat and her son Emin are getting ready to go shopping	The next scene of the play – at the shops	DialogueDialogue and stage directions
Directions for Najwa to get back to the railway station	Directions and map from your house to somewhere you know well	 Proper nouns Imperative verbs and short sentences
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9	Personal writing: a reading journal	 Thinking about the plot Thinking about the characters How is a reading journal entry written 	Present tensesSummaryOpinionCreating a reading journal entry

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Different version of the story The Emperor's New Cloak	A story teaching a lesson from a summary of an Aesop's fable	Past tenses
An explanation of how a Chinese farmer grew rice	An explanation of how Ancient Egyptians made mud bricks	Step by step
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Narrative writing: poetry

Narrative poetry tells a story. Just like a story, it has characters, plot and setting.

Let's read

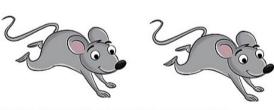
Read this extract from a narrative poem called The Pied Piper of Hamelin.

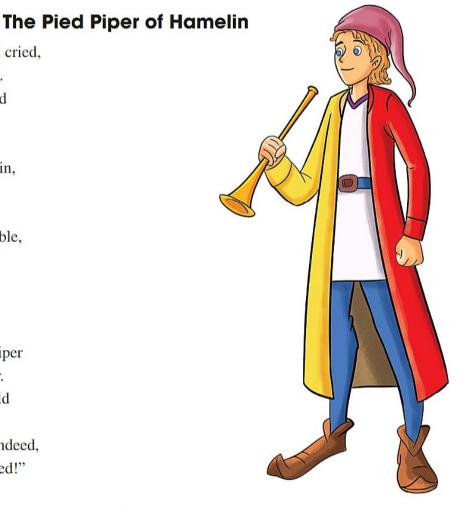
The story so far...

The town of Hamelin has a big problem. Rats! They are everywhere! They are eating all the food and frightening everyone. The Mayor doesn't know what to do. He calls a meeting of the town council in the Town Hall. He needs to decide how to get rid of the rats. No one has any ideas but, just then, there is a knock at the door.

"Come in," the Mayor and Council cried, The strangest figure stepped inside. His odd long coat from heel to head Was half of yellow, half of red. And he himself was tall and thin, With sharp blue eyes, each like a pin,

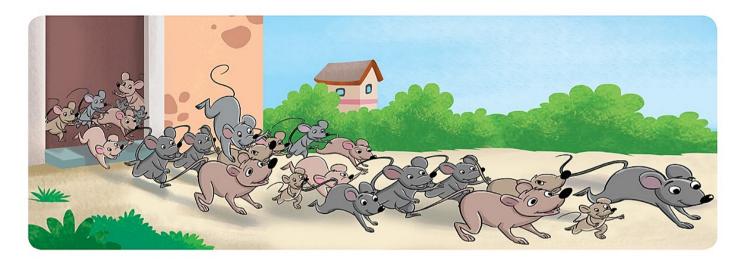
He walked up to the council table,
Said, "Please your honours, I am able,
By means of music, never fear,
I can make rats disappear.
I use my quite amazing skill
On creatures that do people ill.
The mole and toad and newt and viper
And people call me The Pied Piper.
I'll take the rats, both young and old
If you will give me bags of gold."
The Mayor jumped up. "Yes, yes indeed,
You'll have your gold if you succeed!"











The Piper left and very soon, They heard a lovely, simple tune. When three shrill notes his pipe had uttered, You heard as if an army muttered. And then the noise became a grumbling, And out of the houses the rats came tumbling. Young and old and thin and fat Every type and shape of rat! Brothers, sisters, husbands, wives, Followed the Piper for their lives. From street to street he piped advancing. And step for step the rats came dancing, Until they reached the river side, Jumped in, sank quickly and then died! You should have heard the Hamelin people Ringing the bells till they rocked the steeple. "Go," cried the Mayor, "and get long poles. Poke out the nests and block up the holes!" The Piper said, "I've done the deed, Now pay me what we have agreed." The Mayor looked cross and then he spoke, "You must know that was just a joke! The rats have gone, and not returned,



I'll give you what I think you've earned.
Take one gold coin and leave the town."
The Piper stared and wore a frown.
He told the Mayor, "You'll rue the day
You cheated me and didn't pay!
I'll play a very different tune
And you'll be sorry – very soon!"









Let's talk

A What happens in the poem? Discuss your answers.

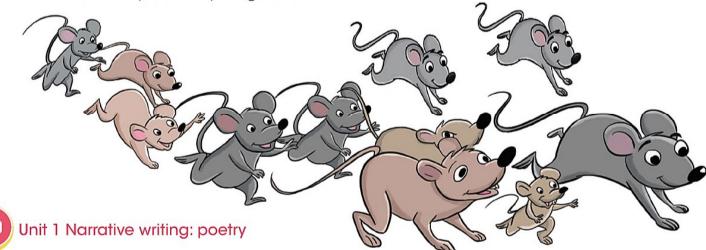
- 1 What problem do the people of Hamelin have?
- 2 What strange person arrives in the town?
- 3 How can he help them?
- 4 What does he want in return?
- 5 What does he do to make the rats follow him?
- 6 What happens to the rats?
- 7 How does the Mayor cheat him?

B Think about the poem. Discuss your answers.

- 1 Why do you think the Pied Piper is called *the strangest figure*?
- 2 Why do you think the Mayor quickly agreed to give the Pied Piper bags of gold?
- 3 Why do you think the people of Hamelin rang the bells?
- 4 What do you think of the Mayor when he refuses to pay the Pied Piper?
- 5 The Pied Piper says he will play a very different tune. What do you think he does?

C How is the poem written? Discuss your answers.

- 1 Look at the verbs in the poem.
 - a When the poet is telling the story and uses verbs, for example *cried*, *stepped*, *walked*, what tenses are the verbs written in?
 - **b** When the Pied Piper is speaking and uses verbs, for example *can*, *use*, *take*, what tenses are the verbs written in?
- 2 Who are the characters in the story?
- 3 Where is the poem set?
- 4 Find examples of rhyming words.





Let's learn

Creating characters

A very important part of any narrative poem is the characters.

You need to think about:

- what your characters look like physical appearance
- what sort of people they are personality.

You also need to think about how you want your readers to **feel** about your characters. Do you want your readers to:

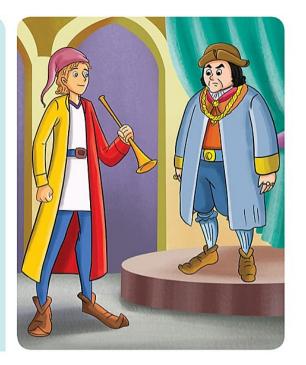
• like them?

· dislike them?

A The two main characters in the poem are the Mayor and the Pied Piper.

How readers feel about your characters depends on:

- how you **describe** them
- how they behave.



	Using what you find out in the poem and character looks like.	d the pictures, make notes on what each	
	The Mayor	The Pied Piper	
В	Using what the Mayor says and does in person you think he is – his personality.	the poem, make notes on what sort of	
С	Using what the Pied Piper says and does in the poem, make notes on what sort of person you think he is – his personality.		