

Label the rhyme pattern for "Rime of the Ancient Mariner."

Rhyme Pattern

The ice was here, the ice was there,

The ice was all around:

It cracked and growled, and roared and howled,

Like noises in a swound!

At length did cross an Albatross,

Thorough the fog it came;

As if it had been a Christian soul,

We hailed it in God's name.

It ate the food it ne'er had eat,

And round and round it flew.

The ice did split with a thunder-fit;

The helmsman steered us through!

And a good south wind sprung up behind;

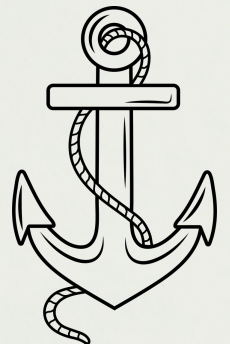
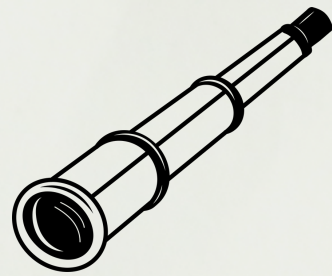
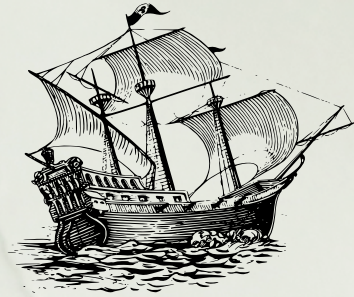
The Albatross did follow,

And every day, for food or play,

Came to the mariner's hollo!

A

B



1. What were the conditions like when the sailors first saw the albatross?
2. What do you think the arrival of the albatross represents? Why?

Write your own poem with an ABCB rhyme scheme.

Rhyme Pattern

A
B
C
B