

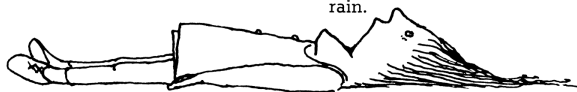
# Visual Poetry

**Visual poetry** uses text, images, or symbols to help convey the meaning of the poem. With this type of poetry, the visual arrangement of the elements of the poem is more important than the words in conveying its meaning. Read the poem "Lazy Jane" from *Where the Sidewalk Ends*. How is the way the poem is displayed on the page key to the meaning of poem? Would the poem be as funny without the illustration? Why or why not?

Come up with a new way to depict the poem in the box to the right, with either an illustration or a clever arrangement of the text. Does your drawing or arrangement change its meaning? How?

## LAZY JANE

Lazy  
lazy  
lazy  
lazy  
lazy  
Jane,  
she  
wants  
a  
drink  
of  
water  
so  
she  
waits  
and  
waits  
and  
waits  
and  
waits  
and  
waits  
for  
it  
to  
rain.



## LAZY JANE

### POETRY TIP!

Use the descriptions in a poem as a guide when you decide how to display it on the page.

