



Before You Know It
You'll Be A Poet





There is no sitting on a stool for this poet; she is on her feet, punctuating poignant points with puppets, props and her own personal panache. She's out to bridge the gap between nursery rhymes and slam poetry. She even delivers one poor nursery rhyme in a slam poetry style.

The imagery of each poem is enhanced by lavish and occasionally outrageous costumes all designed to captivate and engage today's screen obsessed generation. Regardless of whether the poem is modern or hundreds of years old, a funny limerick or reflective and a little bit sad it is accompanied by an illusion, acted out, performed to music or origami. There is always something visual happening to engross the audience.

While, Before You Know It You'll be a Poet is not a workshop it has loads of audience participation encouraging students to join in and demonstrates that playing with language is heaps of fun. The show ends with a challenge to the audience to pick their favourite poetry style and write their own poem in that style.

What others schools have said about the producers other work: Outstanding. Extremely interactive and really brought poetry alive. Our grades 3-5 students were all involved with poetry this year and this performance consolidated and built upon work done. You could see students making connections. A well worthwhile, thoroughly entertaining, engaging, educational experience.

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Wow! What a fantastic way to engage & inform! Kids were smiling the entire time and really learnt some valuable lessons. Brilliantly engaging and entertaining. *Courtney Peate. K-6. Stokers Siding P. S. NSW.*

Curriculum Relevance. **English:** Literary Texts, Imaginative Texts, Language Structures and Features, Verse, Rhyming Poems, Nonsense Poems.

Price: \$5.50 per student (\$5.00 + \$0.50 GST).

Suitable: Preps, K to Year 7.

Minimum Audience Size: 130 students.

Times: Show: 50 minutes. Set up: 40 minutes. Pack up: 30 minutes.

Requires an indoor performing area 4m deep x 6m wide.

