

10 things in an explorer's rucksack

Here's a poem I wrote when I got back from exploring Atlanti. It's a list poem and it is all the magical things I'd like to find in my rucksack.

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A sizzling sun beam scorching the sky,
The sound of rain splashing on mud,
A rhino's footprint,
A hat made of stars,
10000 leaf skeletons glittering in the wind,
The sweetest fruit from an ice cream tree,
A never-ending flapjack,
The smell of jungle clouds,
A feather from a Soupee bird,
A pair of very sore feet.

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Write a list poem

Now have a go at writing your own poem. What magical things would you like to find in your rucksack when you go exploring?

- ★ Try to make your items sound exciting by using alliteration where words start with the same sound e.g. sizzling sun, lazy lion, towering trees
- ★ Use precise, powerful verbs that show things in a more exciting way e.g. scorching, splashing, glittering
- ★ Choose unusual things to add to your bag. Be as inventive as you can e.g. a hat made of stars, boots made of spider webs
- **Exaggerate things. Make them:** the biggest, the tallest, the sweetest, the fastest
- ★ Invent new things e.g. a Soupee bird, the smell of clouds