

3x3x3

Cosmic Connections

stars planets life
brighten universe enlightens
cosmos darkles light.

Life stars universe
enlightens cosmos darkles
planets light enlighten

universe enlightens stars
darkles cosmos life
light brighten cosmos.

If written out with pauses.

Stanza #1 Stars, planets, life brighten, universe enlightens; cosmos darkles light.

Stanza #2 Life stars universe, enlightens cosmos. darkles planets. light-- enlighten.

Stanza #3 Universe enlightens stars, darkles cosmos, life light-- brighten cosmos.

Column #1 Stars brighten cosmos. Life enlightens planets. Universe darkles light.

Column #2 Planets, universe, darkles. Stars, cosmos light enlightens; cosmos brighten.

Column #3 Life enlightens light. Universe darkles; enlightens stars, life, cosmos.

3x3x3 invented by Shelly Bryant

1. Ideas from East Asian poetry, similar to Sudoku.
2. Three boxes. Nine elements with elements juggled in each box. The box is a stanza.
3. Each of the three stanzas has three lines.
4. In each stanza the words are reordered so that no word appears in the same "column" twice.
5. No indicators to indicate pauses. The reader must figure them out.
6. Find words that can be used in more than one part of speech.
7. The vertical columns can be played with as well.