

Huitain

Summer Fashion

When summer yawns and stretches limbs
the neat warms our hearts, whets our whims.
We find our most comfortable clothes
in the attic or a clothes bin,
recalling the time we were thin.
When that was only some god knows!
Soon enough cold Fall will descent.
Parade of fashions will not end.

Huitain: Above example was written as a pass. Different poets added lines in the pattern. Huitains can have 8 or 10 syllable lines. This poem aimed for 8 syllables per line for the 8 lines. The rhyme scheme: a-a-b-c-c-b-d-d.

Empty Nest

When the last child leaves and is now fledged
opened wings, opened nest—so fly!
Unconditional love is pledged.

Fear, distance worms anxiety.
But nurture feeds their liberty
Release without any wing clips.

Fluff feathers, seek serenity.
Pray for safety on their freed trips.

Enclosed Huitain: Can be 8 or 10 syllables. a-b-a b-b-c b-c