

Rhopalics

Grandson

He bounces basketball ballistically, magnificently, super-terrifically.

Grand-daughter

She scribbles short-stories creatively, industriously, imaginatively.

Rhopalics: Variation # 1 Add one syllable for each word in the line.

Variation #2 Add one more letter to the next word. Variation # 3 is rhymed and adds letters for effect.

Becoming a Poet

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Turns at Scrabble

Perhaps the way to go
with a B is make BRO.
Then I am ready now
to add a letter for BROW.
The next tile I put down—
a beige tile becomes BROWN.
Oh, my brilliance is crowning.
I become a poet with BROWNING.

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With Word Play

In China long ago
lied poet Li PO.
Centuries later you know
American Edgar Allan POE.
Before you know it
I have created POET.
Being very noetic
I become POETIC,
so hypothetically
I'm thinking POETICALLY.

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A
poem
begins
manifests
letter by letter—
unique characters down the line.