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### **The Blue Sparrow Syllabus**

The Blue Sparrow\* is a content-oriented invention integrating graphics, videos and voice explanations to bring to life stories contained in English poems. Its meticulously researched content includes the work of well-

known poets such as William Shakespeare, William Wordsworth, Lewis Carroll, Robert Louis Stevenson and Eleanor Farjeon.



\*The Eurasian Tree Sparrow is a common bird in Hong Kong and blue is the color of Hong Kong Baptist University.

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# Step 1:

Choose a poem you like on this list

OR

Choose any other poems written by these poets

	Poem	Poet	Birth year	Optimal age groups
1	How Doth the Little Crocodile	Lewis Carroll	1832–1898	Young learners
2	The Caterpillar	Christina Rossetti	1830–1894	Young learners
3	In the Fashion	A. A. Milne	1882–1956	Young learners
4	How Many?	Christina Rossetti	1830–1894	Young learners / teenagers
5	Love between Brothers and Sisters	Isaac Watts	1674–1748	Young learners / teenagers
6	Bed in Summer	Robert Louis Stevenson	1850–1894	Young learners / teenagers
7	A Child's Thought	Robert Louis Stevenson	1850–1894	Young learners / teenagers
8	Symphony in Yellow	Oscar Wilde	1854–1900	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
9	Daffodils	William Wordsworth	1770–1850	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
10	Said the Table to the Chair	Edward Lear	1812–1888	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
11	Big and Little Things	Alfred H. Miles	1848–1929	Young learners / teenagers
12	In the Summer	Thomas Hood	1799–1845	Young learners / teenagers
13	From a Railway Carriage	Robert Louis Stevenson	1850–1894	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
14	Spring	William Blake	1757–1827	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults

15	Sonnet 73 (Part 1)	William Shakespeare	1564–1616	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
16	Sonnet 73 (Part 2)	William Shakespeare	1564–1616	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
17	A Fairy Song	William Shakespeare	1564–1616	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
18	Fall Leaves Fall	Emily Brontë	1818–1848	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
19	A Slash of Blue	Emily Dickinson	1830–1886	Young learners / teenagers
20	There was an Old Man with a Beard	Edward Lear	1812–1888	Young learners / teenagers
21	Twinkle Twinkle Little Bat	Lewis Carroll	1832–1898	Young learners / teenagers
22	maggie and milly and molly and may	e e cummings	1894–1962	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
23	Now We are Six	A. A. Milne	1882–1956	Young learners
24	Waiting at the Window	A. A. Milne	1882–1956	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
25	The Snowman	an anonymous writer		Young learners / Teenagers
26	Imagine	an anonymous writer		Young learners / Teenagers
27	The Gardener	an anonymous writer		Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
28	Five Little Owls	an anonymous writer		Young learners
29	Chook Chook Chook	an anonymous writer		Young learners
30	Little Silver Aeroplane	an anonymous writer		Young learners
31	A Garden	Leila Berg	1917–2012	Young learners / Teenagers
32	My Pet Mouse	David Whitehead	Died in 2019	Young learners / Teenagers
33	Gran's Old Diary	Wes Magee	1939–	Young learners / Teenagers

34	The Wind and the Sun	Mike Murphy		Teenagers / Adolescents
35	Greedy Cat	Mike Murphy		Young learners
36	Spaceship Shop	Bernard Young		Young learners
37	The Farmer's Shadow	Colin West	1951–	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
38	Over the Park	Charles Thomson		Young learners / Teenagers
39	Later	Jaison Fung		Young learners / Teenagers
40	Ghost Hunt	John Rice		Young learners / Teenagers
41	Hike in Tai Mo Shan	Karen Chan Gray		Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
42	Borrowed Time	John Foster	1941–	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
43	The Lonely Dragon	Theresa Heine		Young learners / Teenagers
44	Sunday Cinderella	Florence Tam		Young learners / Teenagers
45	Holidays	John Foster	1941–	Young learners
46	Class Discussion	Gervase Phinn (1946-)		Young learners
47	Construction Destruction	Gillian Bickley		Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
48	Self-absorbed	Gillian Bickley		Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
49	Stars on the Sea	Cyril Ma		Young learners / Teenagers
50	The Beach	Ho Cheung Lee		Young learners / Teenagers
51	Two Witches Discuss Good Grooming	John Coldwell		Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
52	Cats	Eleanor Farjeon	1881–1965	Young learners
53	Pencil and Paint	Eleanor Farjeon	1881–1965	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
54	Early in the Morning	Charles Causley	1917–2003	Young learners / Teenagers

55	Friends	Elizabeth Jennings	1926–2001	Young learners / Teenagers
56	Given an Apple	Elizabeth Jennings	1926–2001	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
57	The Old Wife and the Ghost	James Reeves	1909–1978	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
58	Roger was a Razor Fish	Al Pittman	1940–2001	Young learners
59	We're Racing, Racing Down the Walk	Phyllis McGinley	1905–1978	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
60	The Eel	Ogden Nash	1902–1971	Young learners
61	Good Riddance But Now What?	Ogden Nash	1902–1971	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
62	Rainy Nights	Irene Thompson	Born in 19th Century	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
63	Twos	Jeff Moss	1942–1998	Young learners
64	A Night I had Trouble Falling Asleep	Jeff Moss	1942–1998	Young learners
65	Mice	Rose Fyleman	1877–1957	Young learners
66	The Runners	Allan Ahlberg	1938–	Young learners
67	Secret	John Agard	1949–	Teenagers / Adolescents
68	Undertable Land	Paul Rogers	No information	Teenagers / Adolescents / Adults
69	Brother	Mary Ann Hoberman	1930–	Young learners
70	Waiters	Mary Ann Hoberman	1930–	Young learners

## Step 2:

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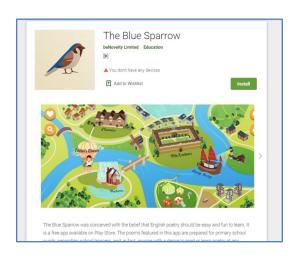
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