**WALT: write a poem based on impactful words, phrases and imagery**

[Choose Haiku, freeform, rhyme, rhyming couplets, shape, assonance]

**Write a description as a bird** and describe how it moves and what it sees.Use all the senses. There is a DCAT and a Chartres competition: this is the chance to write some poetry. Remember you could use repetition, have a chorus, questions, several stanzas [ verses], kennings [ ie fly-catcher, worm-worrier]. You all have a good imagination so how would you fly? Catch food? Watch out for predators? As I have shown you before, group together words on slips of paper, move them around to create a lines of poetry. Remember you could figurative language, similes, metaphors, alliteration – But be economical with adjectives – not too many.

I have chosen this poem as a guide

Bluebottle by Judith Nicols

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**Bluebottle**

Who dips, dives,
swoops out of space,
a buzz in his wings
and sky on his face:
now caught in the light,
now gone without trace,
a sliver of glass,
never still in one place?

Who’s elusive as a pickpocket,
lord of the flies:
Who moves like a rocket,
bound for the skies?
Who’s catapult, aeroplane,
always full-throttle?
Sky-diver, Jumping Jack,
comet, bluebottle!

Judith Nicholls

Answer the question in full sentences your books:

1a) Which words in the poem 'Bluebottle' are onomatopoeic (use onomatopoeia)?

1b) What do they tell us about the bluebottle?

2a) Which verbs does the poet Judith Nicholls use to show how the bluebottle moves?

2b) What do these verbs tell us about the movement of the bluebottle?

3a) Which nouns (objects) does Nicholls use to describe the bluebottle?

3b) What do these nouns tell us about the movement of the bluebottle?

4a) Where does the poet use a metaphor to describe the bluebottle?

4b) What does this metaphor tell us about the bluebottle?

5) What is the simile Nicholls uses to describe the bluebottle and what does it tell us about it?