


Eliza's Cherry Trees



Haiku

Basho was a famous Japanese poet who lived in the 1600's. He wrote many haiku about nature. Some of them were about cherry blossoms, like this one:

*Under cherry trees
Soup, the salad, fish and all...
Seasoned with petals.*



Haiku is a form of Japanese poetry. These poems don't rhyme, but they follow this pattern:

Line 1: Five syllables
Line 2: Seven syllables
Line 3: Five syllables



To write a cherry blossom tree haiku:

1. Think of words about cherry trees and nature
 2. Make a list of these words
 3. Count the syllables of the words
 4. Put the words together to fit the pattern
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