Name:	Date:	Period:	
Onomatopoeia and Alliteration!			
<b>Instructions</b> : Read the poem. Circle the	different onomator	ooeias found in it.	
"Onomatopoeia" by Eve Merriam			
The rusty spigot	Answ	er the following questions:	
sputters,			
utters	1.	What is a spigot?	
a splutter,			
spatters a smattering of drops,			
gashes wider;	2.	What does this poem sound like?	
slash			
splatters			
scatters	3.	What is "onomatopoeia"?	
spurts		-	
finally stops sputtering			
and plash!	4.	What purpose does onomatopoeia	
gushes rushes splashes		have in poetry or other writing?	
clear water dashes.		F	

## Now you try: Passing Period Poem

Write a poem about passing period, using 5 onomatopoeias. You may work with a partner.

Use the space below to brainstorm / w	rite
down the sounds you hear in the halls:	:

Begin writing your poem below:

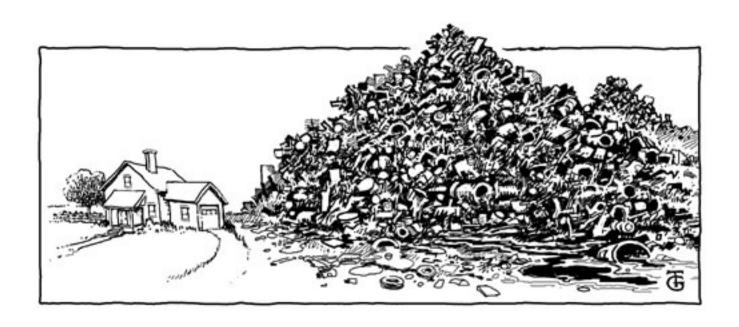
**Instructions**: Read the poem. Underline the different examples of alliteration in it.

## SARAH CYNTHIA SYLVIA STOUT WOULD NOT TAKE THE GARBAGE OUT

By Shel Silverstein

Sarah Cynthia Sylvia Stout Would not take the garbage out! She'd scour the pots and scrape the pans, Candy the yams and spice the hams, And though her daddy would scream and shout. She simply would not take the garbage out. And so it piled up to the ceilings: Coffee grounds, potato peelings, Brown bananas, rotten peas, Chunks of sour cottage cheese. It filled the can, it covered the floor, It cracked the window and blocked the door With bacon rinds and chicken bones. Drippy ends of ice cream cones, Prune pits, peach pits, orange peel, Gloppy glumps of cold oatmeal, Pizza crusts and withered greens, Soggy beans and tangerines, Crusts of black burned buttered toast, Gristly bits of beefy roasts... The garbage rolled on down the hall,

It raised the roof, it broke the wall... Greasy napkins, cookie crumbs, Globs of gooey bubble gum, Cellophane from green baloney, Rubbery blubbery macaroni, Peanut butter, caked and dry, Curdled milk and crusts of pie, Moldy melons, dried-up mustard, Eggshells mixed with lemon custard, Cold french fried and rancid meat. Yellow lumps of Cream of Wheat. At last the garbage reached so high That it finally touched the sky. And all the neighbors moved away, And none of her friends would come to play. And finally Sarah Cynthia Stout said, "OK, I'll take the garbage out!" But then, of course, it was too late. . . The garbage reached across the state, From New York to the Golden Gate. And there, in the garbage she did hate, Poor Sarah met an awful fate. That I cannot now relate Because the hour is much too late. But children, remember Sarah Stout And always take the garbage out!



## **Answer the following questions:**

- 1. What decision does Sarah Cynthia Sylvia Stout make?
- 2. What gradually happened over time?
- 3. What happened to Sarah Cynthia Sylvia Stout because of it?
- 4. What is alliteration?
- 5. How is alliteration being used in this poem?

## Now you try: What If Poem

Write a poem where you consider what would happen if one of your chores NEVER got done. Use alliteration 5 times in your poem. \*You could consider another "What if" question if you get stuck.