



Animals & Alliteration in Scots FOR EARLY YEARS (0-7 years)

WEE WORDS COMPETITION:

WRITE A LINE ABOUT AN ANIMAL IN SCOTS USING ALLITERATION AND DRAW A PICTURE



Writing Tips

Step 1

Have a think about Scots names for animals. What is the Scots word for:

a cow

a dog

a mouse

How about:

a crow

a trout

a ewe

Or going from Scots to English, what is:

a puddock

a tod

a bubblyjock

Look at the **Wee Words Kist** to find more Scots Birdies & Beasties.

Step 2

Can you think of some adjectives or describing words in Scots?

What do these words mean in English?

cauld

crabbit

daft

drookit

muckle

mingin

Can you think of any more Scots describing words?

auld, awfie, bonnie, braw, broon, cauld, couthie, crabbit, daft, drookit

Look at the **Wee Words Kist** for more Scots adjectives.

Step 3

You create alliteration when you put two words together which start with the same sound or letter.

In English, *cute cow*, *dirty dog* and *mean mouse* are good examples of alliteration.

In Scots, *cauld coo*, *drookit dug* or *muckle moose* are also good examples of alliteration.

Can you put two Scots words together to create alliteration? Remember you'll need a noun (a naming word) for an animal in Scots and a Scots adjective.

Step 4

Now that you have a *bonnie bubblyjock* or a *crabbit coo* or a *drookit dug*, what are these craiteurs up to? Can you write a short line about the animal you've chosen. Remember to make sure that most of the words in the line start with the same sound or letter.

a bonnie bubblyjock that bides in a baffie

a crabbit coo in a cauld coo shed

a drookit dug daein the dishes

Look at the Scots verbs in the **Wee Words Kist** to help you.

Step 5

Draw a picture on an A4 sheet to go with your line of alliteration.



*A bonnie
bubblyjock that
bides in a baffie
by Grace P5*

*A crabbit coo in a cauld coo shed
by Kerys P4*



*A drookit dug daein the dishes
by Sam P5*

Birdies & Beasties

brock badger
 coo cow
 crow crow
 deuk duck
 doo dove
 dug dog
 gowk cuckoo
 tod fox
 troot trout

baudrans cat
 bubblyjock turkey
 cuddie horse
 hoolet owl
 hurcheon hedgehog
 midgie midge
 moose mouse
 papingo parrot
 puddock frog
 puggie monkey
 sparra sparrow
 yowe ewe

Mair Scots words

baffies slippers
 bogle ghost
 bothy hut
 brae hill
 breeks trousers
 brig bridge
 burn stream
 clachan village
 claes clothes
 clotie dumpling
 cowp rubbish dump
 cundie drain
 dominie teacher
 dookers swimming trunks
 dub puddle
 gairden garden
 ganzie jumper
 ginger fizzy juice
 glaur mud
 ground ground
 gutties sneakers
 haggis
 heid head
 hooley party
 hoose house
 messages shopping
 midden mess
 pawkies mittens
 piece sandwich
 polis police
 semmit vest

Scots Adjectives (describin words)

bletherie chatty
 bonnie beautiful
 braw handsome
 broon brown
 cauld cold
 clarty dirty
 crabbit grumpy
 cutty short
 daft silly
 dauncin dancing
 drookit drenched
 glaikit stupid
 greetin crying
 gowden golden
 guid good
 hackit ugly
 haiverin chatty
 haunless clumsy
 mair more
 mingin smelly
 muckle big
 peeliewally pale
 peerie small
 puir poor
 reid red
 roond round
 saft soft
 scunnered fed-up
 seeven seven
 siller silver
 skinnymalinky thin
 sleikit sly
 tapsalteerie upside-down
 tottie tiny
 tousie scruffy
 tummlin tumbling
 twa two
 yappin gossiping
 yella yellow
 yeukie itchy
 yin one

snaw snow
 sodger soldier
 stookie plaster cast
 stovies stewed potatoes & onions
 taigle tangle
 tap top
 toun town
 troosers trousers
 tumshie turnip
 yett gate

Scots verbs (daein words)

bides lives
 birlin spinning
 blawin blowing
 bletherin chatting
 boonces bounces
 cannae can't
 cairryin carrying
 chappin knocking
 cowps knocks over
 dinnae don't
 doesnae doesn't
 dook ducking
 draps drops
 follaein following
 gaitherin gathering
 gies gives
 gowfin golfing
 greetin crying
 hingin hanging
 howks digs
 joukin dodging
 keekin looking
 lauchin laughing
 lowpin jumpin
 mairries marries
 makkin making
 pech pant
 pentin painting
 pittin putting
 pouin pulling
 scartin scratching
 skelps hits
 skites skids
 skooshin squirting water
 wheechin zooming
 yatterin chatting

For lots more Scots Birdies & Beasties, read:

Animal ABC: a Scots
 alphabet
 A Moose in the Hoose,
 Katie's Moose
 Katie's Ferm
 Katie's Beasties

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About the Competition

Scots Writing competition

Fun activities to help pupils develop their writing in Scots in 3 categories: Early Years (0-7 years), Younger Writers (8-11 years) and Older Writers (12-16 years).

The Scots Writing competition packs have been compiled by Itchy Coo on behalf of Scottish Book Trust.

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Competition guidelines

Who? Entrants must be aged between 0 and 16 years.

When? All entries must be submitted by **Friday 30th October 2009**.

How to submit your entry

All entries must include:

- pupil's name
- class teacher's/librarian's name and e-mail address
- name, address and telephone number of the school or library

Where to send your entry

Entries for **Bards & Beasties (8-11 years)** and **Photie (12-16 years)** should be submitted via e-mail to: royalmailawards@scottishbooktrust.com

Entries for **Wee Words (0-7 years)** should be posted to:
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What can you win?

First, second and third in each category will win a selection of exciting new Scots books.

The first prize winner in each category will be invited to collect their prize at the Royal Mail Children's Book Awards Ceremony in Edinburgh on Tuesday 24th November 2009.

Runners-up will all receive a special Royal Mail Book Awards certificate.

Judge

Author Matthew Fitt will judge the 3 Scots Writing competitions.

When will you find out if you've won?

Winners will be notified by Tuesday 24th November 2009. The full list of winners will be posted on the Scottish Book Trust website on Wednesday 25th November.

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