PTM 21 Cinquain Instructions and Example

A cinquain is a five-line poem. A cinquain can be use to describe a character in a story.

Line 1: one word

(subject or noun)

Line 2: two words

(adjectives) that describe line 1

Line 3: three words

(action verbs) that relate to line 1

Line 4: four words

(feelings or a complete sentence) that relates to line 1

Line 5: one word

(synonym of line 1 or a word that sums it up)

Example (from *Hatchet*)

Brian afraid, hungry sleeping, searching, gathering Brian needs a fire. Survivor