

 Books to
Treasure**Shoe Town**

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Critical Literacy/Writing/Visual Art Expression

Focus: Write a nursery rhyme verse that fits the book's format.

Pass Objectives:

2.5 Make inferences about events, characters, and ideas in fictional texts by connecting knowledge and experience to the story.

2.5 Create simple rhymes and poems.

3.1 Experiment in color missing with various media.

3.3 Demonstrate beginning skills of composition using the elements of art and principles of design.

Supplies: Watercolors, crayons, colored pencils and paper.

Coordinate this writing lesson with the art teacher to create a poem with an illustration. Read **Shoe Town** and identify the nursery rhymes whose characters want to live in shoe town. Brainstorm other nursery rhyme characters that don't appear in the book. Write a four line verse in the abcb rhyme scheme. Study Steven's illustrations and use the same materials and style Stevens used.