P4 Reading & Writing Term 1
Unit 3 – Mind Pictures

*What is a **kenning**?*

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Match each kenning to what it describes.

whale road ☐ ☐ 

earth-walker ☐ ☐ 

iron shower ☐ ☐ 

world candle ☐ ☐ 

storm of swords ☐ ☐ 

sea stallion ☐ ☐

Invent a kenning for

1. *an aeroplane* _____
2. *a car* _____

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Read the animal riddles composed of kennings below and identify the animal. Then, write the kenning for each definition given in the riddle.

1. **Mind Picture:** A **bark-runner** leaps from branch to branch, its **nut-hoard** tucked safely away for the winter while it flashes its twitching **tail-sail** to warn its neighbors.

   Animal: _____

   Kennings: _____ bushy tail, catching the wind as it balances

   _____ the animal itself

   _____ its food storage

2. **Mind Picture:** Rustling through the autumn leaves, the low-crawling **quill-shield** rolls into a tight ball of defense, turning its entire body into a sharp **spine-fortress** against the foxes of the woods.

   Animal: _____

   Kennings: _____ the animal itself

   _____ its protective, rolled-up defensive shape

3. **Mind Picture:** Swooping silently through the midnight woods, the feathered **night-hunter** glides on **hush-wings** before locking its wide **moon-eyes** onto a target in the grass.

   Animal: _____

   Kennings: _____ its specialized, completely silent feathers

   _____ the animal itself

   _____ its large, glowing nocturnal eyes

4. **Mind Picture:** Sidestepping along the shoreline, the ancient **sand-crawler** snaps at the incoming tide with its heavy **bone-crushers**, ready to retreat into its mobile **stone-house** at the first sign of danger.

   Animal: _____

   Kennings: _____ the animal itself

   _____ its powerful pincers

   _____ its hard, rocky exoskeleton shell

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5. **Mind Picture:** Ghosting through the snow-laden pines, the fierce **pack-brother** lifts its snout to release a chilling **moon-cry**, calling the rest of the **forest-hunters** to the chase.

   Animal: _____

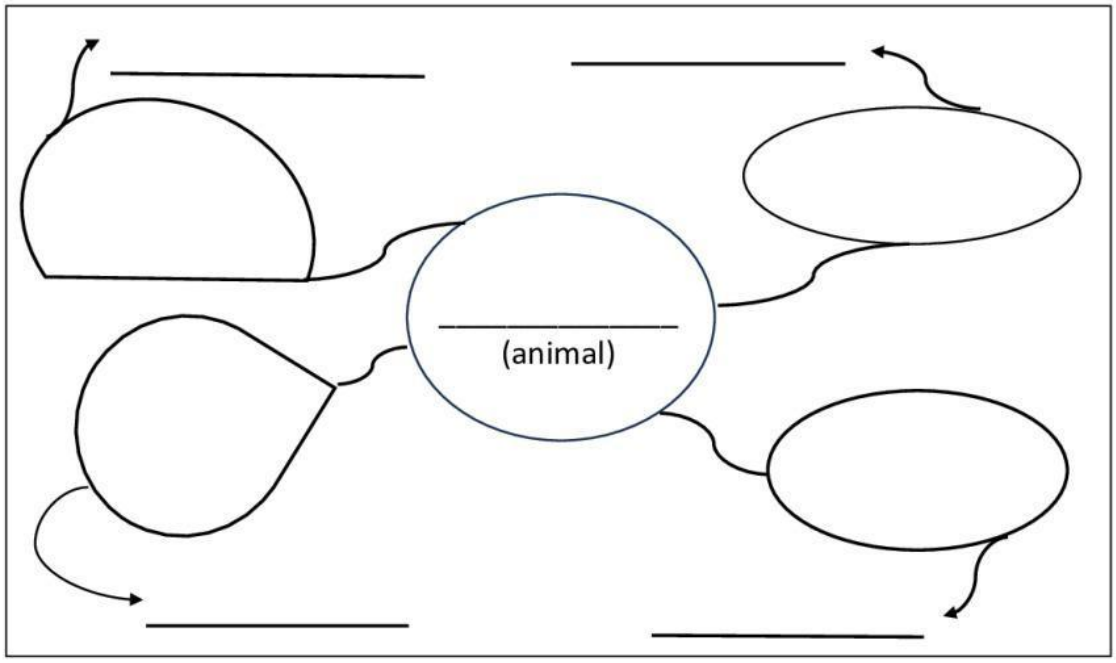
   Kennings: _____ the pack

   _____ its howl

   _____ the animal itself

crab	*hedgehog*	*squirrel*	*wolf*	*owl*

Pick an animal and come up with at least four mind pictures of it.



Develop your own animal riddle based on the mind pictures you have created and the kennings you invented.

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Think of a name for each animal using alliteration.

1. _____ Giraffe
2. _____ Elephant
3. _____ Lion
4. _____ Crocodile

List three words that alliterate with each of these words.

1. scatter _____
2. gnarled _____
3. fleece _____

*Explain what **rhyme** and **rhythm** are in poetry.*

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_____

Write a colour poem.

Choose a colour: _____

Build a word bank mind map for your colour:

_____

Create a poem that has an ending rhyme and uses a simile in at least one line.

_____ *(Title)*

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What is the rhyme pattern of your poem? Use capital letters.

_____

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