

# BOOMbox at Home

## Blackout Poetry

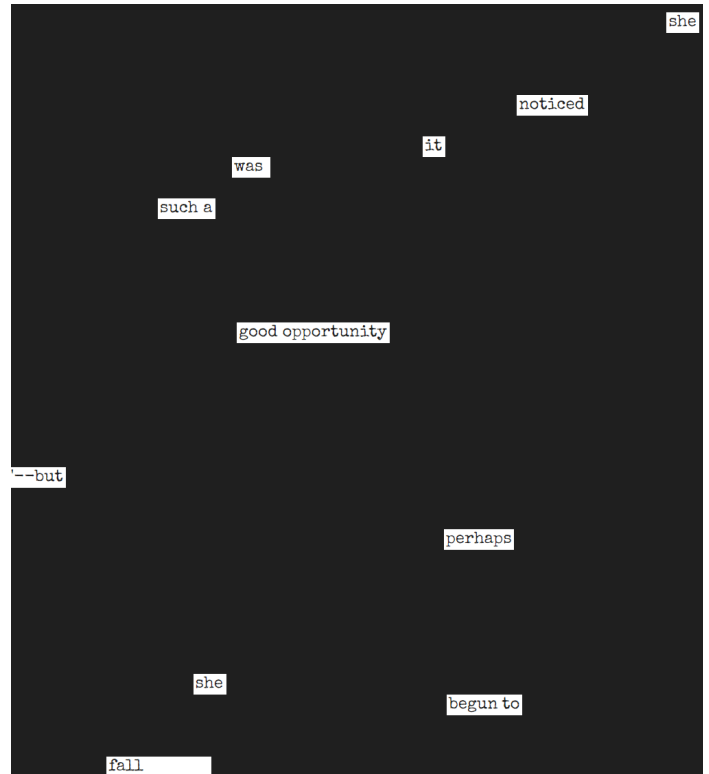
Blackout poetry is a fun way to draw inspiration from existing text to create your own poetry. Turn an old newspaper, book, or magazine into a new work of art, or print out a copy of your favorite story or poem and make it your own!

### Supplies

- Pages with words on them (you can use anything else that you have lying around the house!)
- Black marker or Sharpie
- Pencil with eraser
- Blank piece of paper (optional)

### Instructions

- Skim your page of words and find some that you like, choosing a theme for your poem.
- Go through and lightly circle the words or phrases you might want to use.
- If you want, grab a blank piece of paper and write those words in order, then read through them. Cross out the words you don't want.
- Go back through your poem and boldly box the words you want to keep with your black sharpie or marker. Make sure to erase any circles around the words you don't want anymore.
- Using black coloring utensil, color everything that is NOT a word in your poem.
- Now you have your own blackout poem! Give it a read and see how it sounds.



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