

# Don't be bored rock

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don't be bored rock  
once you were orange fire  
thundering down some  
mountain slope or  
hurtling silver sleek  
through deep sky

maybe you were thrown up  
sputtering red by  
an ancient fuming volcano or  
born with the planet in a  
starless galactic bang

to be carved sharp by ice  
rounded by raging wind

but whichever it was  
being still now is good  
after all

you have so much to remember

*Cherry Moon*

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Zaro Weil's poem 'Don't Be Bored Rock' takes a new and delightful look at a rock and makes it very special. Visit Zaro Weil's poem on the Children's Poetry Archive here: ['Don't be Bored Rock' - Children's Poetry Archive](#)

## TRY THIS:

How does the poem help us understand more about the rock?

What does the poem tell us about the history of our landscapes?

How does the history of the rock help us understand our natural world?

What do you think a 'galactic bang' is?

See if you can write your own poem about something you can see in the natural world

Visit <https://childrens.poetryarchive.org/teach/resources/mission-write-a-poem-using-the-archive/> for lots of ideas about how to get started on writing poetry.



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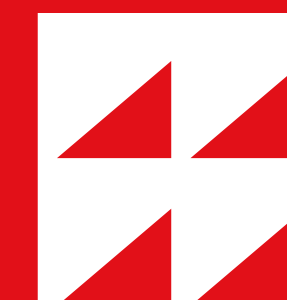
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