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# PANTOUM POEM

## Pantoum Form

The pantoum originated in Malaysia in the fifteenth-century as a short folk poem, typically made up of two rhyming couplets that were recited or sung.

- 4 lines
- any number of stanzas
- 2nd and 4th lines of each stanza serve as the 1st and 3rd lines of the next stanza
- last line of a pantoum is often the same as the first.



A

1 The best advice you've given someone who has just lost something or someone precious.

B

2 Why did you stay silent?

C

3 What's a question your healing is asking of you?

D

4 If you could heal anyone in your community who would it be?

E

5 Complete the sentence:  
**When we are \_\_\_\_\_ we are not  
(another word for afraid).**

F

6 Think about the last time you went through the dark night of your soul. What were you meant to learn?

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Stanza 1

Stanza 2

Stanza 3

A  
B  
C  
D

B  
E  
D  
F

E  
C  
F  
A

WE CAN'T FIGHT  
WHAT WE CAN'T FEEL

