

Australian Sonnet or Bowlesian Sonnet

Cycling the Seasons

- a We need a sunny summer day
b to clear our minds, to warm our hearts
b to exercise our lazy parts
a to get the garden under way.
- c We need the crispy and cool fall
d to ponder transitions, choices
d to hear some different voices
c to harvest good thoughts for all.
- e We need winter's chill, spring's new green
f to reflect, recycle, renew
f to be more grateful for the few
e that make Gaia ready to glean.
- g Each season we pay attention
g to what is worth world's retention

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Creator William Lisle Bowles

1. 14 lines.
2. tetrameter or pentameter or similar. 8 or 10 syllables.
3. Rhyme Scheme: a-b-b-a c-d-d-c e-f-f-e g-g
4. Example has 8-syllable lines.