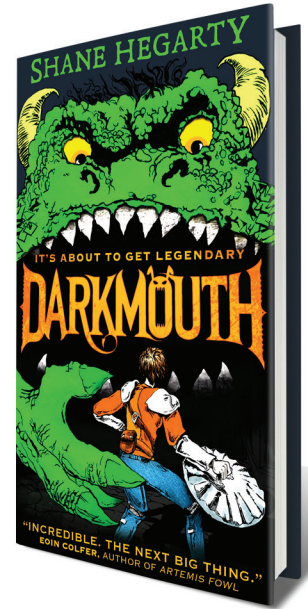


DARKMOUTH

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ACTIVITY FOUR

Read chapter 10 and
create an image poem

This is a chapter that offers many vivid images – below are a random selection of words and phrases taken from this chapter.

luxury, echoes, loomed, brutal, blinded by fire, crackled, light, quiver, trembles, balances, exhaustion, loomed, flickering light, rivers of wounds, armour, uncertain light, the sky closed, pliers, licking flames, invasion, trapped, chaos, hooded figure, honoured, flattered, gateway, locked, violent dance, licking flames, whisper, dancing flames, noble, shadows, walls, a normal dance, beyond, message, gift, removed, angry flames, long clear crystal, open up, between, power, sacrifice, a good time to scream

Your task is to select any words or phrases from this quarry of words to create a six or eight line image poem – it does not have to rhyme. You can also add words of your own, but try to limit these.

Below are two examples of poems created using words and phrases from chapter 10 – as you can see, changing the tense of verbs if they fit better is perfectly acceptable.



Minotaur

Poem 1.
“A Celebration”

Shadows whisper in the flickering light
of the dancing flames.
Trembling before this gift of fire and fireworks,
flattered to be the guest of honour,
I step through the gateway
to life as a teenager.

Poem 2.
“Dreaming”

Long clear crystal views lost to
uncertain light.
The dance turns to violent moves.
As the sky closes,
trapped by walls and echoes,
this is a good time to scream!



Hogboon