## Examples of acrostic poems



Begins with an egg.
Underneath the shell is a caterpillar.
Teeth to chew through and come out of the shell.
Trying to eat a lot of plants.
Each time it grows, it sheds its skin.
Reaches a spot on a plant to make a chrysalis.
Forms wings and antennae.
Leaves the chrysalis as a butterfly.

Young caterpillar is gone, now it is a butterfly!

Kindness is contagious

I try to be kind whenever I can

Not being mean is being kind

Doing things for others is also being kind

Nice nearly all the time is the idea

Everyday I try to be kind

Simple things can be kind things

Such as sending a smile or saying thank you

Acrostics can be more complex than just by making words from initials. A double acrostic, for example, may have words at the beginning and end of its lines

Set among hills in the midst of five valleyS,
This peaceful little market town we inhabiT
Refuses (vociferously!) to be a conformeR.
Once home of the cloth it gave its name tO,
Uphill and down again its streets lead yoU.
Despite its faults it leaves us all charmeD.
Stroud, by Paul Hansford