

THE FIFTY STATES IN RHYME

When I was young I studied U.S. Geography
My teacher said, "will you stand up and list the states for me?"
My knees began a knockin,' the words came out all wrong
When suddenly I burst out with this silly little song.

Alabama and Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas
California, Colorado, and Connecticut and more
Delaware, Florida, Georgia and Hawaii, Idaho
Illinois, Indiana, Iowa still 35 to go.

Kansas and Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine
Maryland, Massachusetts and good 'ol Michigan
Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri and Montana
Nebraska's 27, number 28's Nevada.

New Hampshire and New Jersey and New Mexico, New York
North Carolina, North Dakota, and then there's Ohio
Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania now you see
Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee.

Texas and there's Utah, Vermont, I'm almost through
~~Virginia and there's Washington and West Virginia too~~
Could Wisconsin be the last one, or is it 49?
No, Wyoming is the last state in the 50 states that rhyme.

I sat down all out of breath. My teacher said, "that's great!"
"You've done your best to take a guess and list the 50 states.
But if you want to get an "A" for that silly little rhyme
Then stand back up and do your best to say it double time."