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## EMPEROR PENGUIN

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enguins like to  
stand  
together  
keeping

warm by  
sharing feather,  
some in the centre  
hug, some out, all  
take their turn, and  
turn about. Their layers  
of feathers form a roof  
to make them wind and  
waterproof. They keep their  
chicks warm on their feet, and  
can recycle body heat, their  
bills and flippers small in shape  
to help stop any heat escape.  
Penguins sound like trumpets  
talking and look most comical  
when walking, but on their  
stomachs they can ski over  
the ice fields to the sea,  
and when they dive in,  
'just like that', they

turn  
clown to  from  
acrobat.

## Comprehension Questions

What is this poem about?

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How might someone feel when they read this poem?

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Are there any rhymes or alliteration?

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What are your favourite descriptive phrases?

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Does anything happen in the poem?

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Who might really like this poem?

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