ACROSTIC

An acrostic poem is one in which the lines are organised by the initial letters of a key word, either at the beginning of the lines, in the middle or at the end.

Here is an example of a single acrostic poem with the key word providing the third letter in each line:

We **w**ere tossed about,
Wh**i**pped scarf, whipped leaves
Se**n**t with a shout
An**d** a laugh, dancing over eaves
Sk**y**wards.

More difficult is creating a double acrostic poem in which the initial and middle letters of the lines make words.

Running **D**own panes
And then **R**ound damp stones,
I pool in **O**rdinary drains and
Now form **P**ale ocean waves.

Jennifer Hind, "Acrostic," *The Royal Gazette*, Bermuda, 2003.

Write an acrostic poem to reflect the forecast for tomorrow's weather. Read the forecast on the weather page in today's edition of *your newspaper*. Choose a word (or words) from the forecast to incorporate into your poem. Write the word(s) vertically in the space below. Write your poem incorporating the word(s) in the appropriate places.