Remember
Poetry

Based on an idea by Gail Loane, I’ve got something to say 2010.
That was summer
Remember the weeks before summer when you heard your brothers nagging dad to put the pool up?
Remember when he finally gave in and dropped the filter on his foot and we all cowered away?
That was summer.

Remember the feel of the prickles in your feet at the picnic on Boxing Day?
Remember the high–pitched screams as the chilly water touched our feet?
That was summer.

Remember the smell of the hotel room; all new and ready after eight hours in the car?
Remember just flopping on the couch and watching T.V., sleeping in and drinking cold lemonade?
Remember the excitement as you were getting down the slide in the boat, screaming and getting wet?
Do you remember the family holiday, mum and dad being embarrassing?
That was summer.

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What do you notice about this piece of writing?
Brainstorm some memories for your topic
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Criteria

• Use the detail icons to help your reader create pictures in their head.

Challenge:
Self-check:
Read your writing in a quiet voice.
Can you find 3 careless mistakes?

Partner-check:
I like... because...
Find and circle 2 details.

Challenge
Can you add an extra detail?
Lesson wrap-up

• Share and celebrate poetry in partners, groups or whole class
• Review criteria
• Make improvements