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Read the poems.

In the box below each poem, write the type of poem that it is, and reasons that support your answer.

free verse

narrative

limerick

acrostic

kenning

shape

Haiku

1

There once was a boy called Dwain
Who wanted to go out in the rain
So he grabbed an umbrella
But fell in the cellar
And was never heard of again.

2

Winter

Dark nights
Frosty mornings

Bare trees
Rainy skies

Crunching snow
Glistening ice.

3

The Rainbow

Rainbow colours
shine
Above the clouds
filled with rain
An arch in the sky



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Skies filled with grey billowing clouds
 People dashing, sheltering from the rain
 Little children laughing, putting on their wellies
 A teacher insists their coats are fastened
 School is over, so now it's time to go
 Hopping in puddles and making a splash.

5

My umbrella

Pink with red spots you act as my shield

From the torrents of water waiting to fall from the sky

With that first droplet of water I open you up, my protection from the rains above

The wind blowing against you knocks you inside out, but I hold you tighter still
 Hidden beneath your canopy you protect me from the storm. Then your job is done

I gently shake you dry then put you away for another rainy day.

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It's been nearly a year
 Since the big storm hit
 There had been no warning
 Not even a bit.

The boy had been playing
 For most of that day
 At a friend's house, far far away.

When he had returned
 To his surprise
 The tree was not standing
 At the end of his drive.

The tree that he swung from
 From dusk till dawn
 For all of the days
 Since he had been born.

The boy loved that tree
 He was so sad
 Never to forget that storm
 As the worst one ever been had.

7

Rain

The rain would not stop falling
 Cascading down for days on end
 Filling drains and forming puddles
 Rivers of water flowing endlessly
 to lower ground.

When suddenly it stopped
 A blue sky appearing
 With white cotton wool clouds
 The rain was no more.

Now find some more poems.
 What types of poems are they?