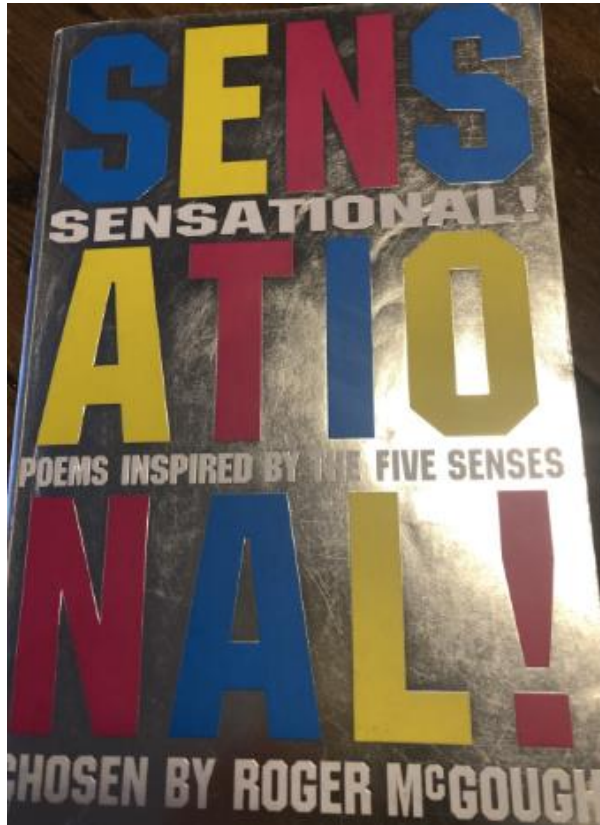


Listen to the poem I read to you and answer the questions.



1. Is this a rhyming poem? How do you know?
2. How many verses in this poem?
3. What do you think the poet means by 'the curse of clocks'?
4. The theft of daydreams – discuss the meaning of this phrase
5. What message/story is the poet telling?

**The roar of parents,
The curse of clocks;
Tinkle of toilets,
Shrugging on socks.**

The flop of cereal,
Pop song of toast;
Hurdling buses,
The bells mad boast.

The jam of lessons,
As hour overtake;
The thief of daydreams,
The scent of break.

A rush hour of shoes,
The dawdle of light;
A gaggle of gossip,
Summoning night.

The glue of the box;
A sinking of pillows...
The curse of clocks!