20. Only One Mother



Hundreds of stars in the pretty sky,

Hundreds of shells on the shore together,

Hundreds of birds that go singing by,

Hundreds of lambs in the sunny weather.

Hundreds of dewdrops to greet the dawn,

Hundreds of bees in the purple clover,

Hundreds of butterflies on the lawn,

But only one mother the wide world over.

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Things to do:

- 1. Make a list of the rhyming words in the poem.

 Add one more rhyming word of your own to each pair.
- 2. Write some more expressions like 'hundreds of'. Expand each expression. Example, 'Hundreds of children in the school.'
- 3. Answer the following questions.
 - (1) What examples of plentiful things does the poet give?
 - (2) Why does the poet say that the dewdrops greet the dawn?
 - (3) Do you agree with the poet's thoughts? Why?
- 4. Write a letter to any one of the following to tell them how much you appreciate them.
 - * Your mother * Your father * Any one of your relatives * Your teacher