

A LINE-END ALPHABET POEM

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...alphabetic telestics in which the alphabet is at line-end appear to be quite rare. I know of none; I challenge readers to create one that rhymes...
--Nyr Indictor, *Word Ways* August 1995

A is the anchor that's dropped in the sea
 B is the bleat of the little lost lamb
 C is the cyst with its poisonous sac
 D is the dream of the young Wunderkind
 E is the eagle that flies on the gale
 F is the fellow who thinks he's a toff
 G is the guzzler who loves bread and marg
 H is the hero anointed with myrrh
 I is the ice that collects on the ski
 J is the Juggernaut fighting the Raj
 K is the king on the top of the pack
 L is the letter that goes in the mail
 M is the mother who pushes a pram
 N is the novel the critics all damn
 O is the owl who's too tired to tu-whoo
 P is the President facing a coup
 Q is the quarrel we have with Iraq
 R is the rider with saddle and spur
 S is the schoolboy who gets forty whacks
 T is the tyrant whose heart is of flint
 U is the upstart who's richer than you
 V is the vision that fired Gorbachev
 W's Whistler who laughed as he drew
 X is the Xerox that copies the fax
 Y is the youngster who stars in the play
 and Z is the zany with wig and pince-nez

Rhyming lines are indented the same distance: A-I, B-M-N, C-K-Q, D-T, E-L, F-V, G-J, H-R, O-P-U-W, S-X and Y-Z.