

### The Snake Song



Neither legs nor arms have I  
But I crawl on my belly  
And I have  
Venom, venom, venom!

Neither horns nor hoofs have I  
But I spit with my tongue  
And I have  
Venom, venom, venom!

Neither bows nor guns have I  
But I flash fast with my tongue  
And I have  
Venom, venom, venom!

Neither radar nor missiles have I  
But I stare with my eyes  
And I have  
Venom, venom, venom!

I master every movement  
For I jump, run and swim  
And I spit  
Venom, venom, venom!

*John Mbiti*

#### Answer these questions

- How many verses does the poem have?
- Which verse is the 'odd one out' in the poem? Can you explain what makes that verse different to all the others?
- What things get repeated in each of the verses?
- Is there any rhyming within a verse?