

Read the poems and answer the questions that follow.

## ICE CAN SCREAM

Ice can scream,  
Ice can shout:  
Winter in  
And autumn out.

5 Ice can shout,  
Ice can call,  
Signaling  
The end of fall.

Ice can call,  
10 Ice can yell  
Secrets no one  
Else can tell.

Ice can yell,  
Ice can howl,  
15 Naming winter's  
Weather foul.

Ice can howl,  
Ice can wail,  
Counting up  
20 Each storm and gale.

Ice can wail,  
Ice can shriek  
Till the land  
Is winter-bleak.

25 Ice can shriek,  
Ice can scream  
Straight across  
The autumn dream.

Ice can scream,  
30 Ice can shout:  
Winter in  
And autumn out.

—Jane Yolen

## WINTER SONGS

The winter sings a windy song  
That hustles rusty leaves along.

The winter sings a song of hail  
That pings and pangs like falling nails.

5 The winter sings a song of sleet  
As sloshing cars slip down the street.

The winter sings a song of snow,  
A whispering as  
whiteness  
10 grows.

—Douglas Florian