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“Dear March, Come In!” Punctuation Worksheet

Directions: Re-read “Dear March, Come In!” by Emily Dickinson and write in new punctuation in the spaces below to create a new tone for the poem.

Dear March, Come in 1) ____
How glad I am 2) ____
I looked for you before 3) ____
Put down your hat—
You must have walked—
How out of breath you are 4) ____
Dear March, how are you 5) ____
And the rest 6) ____
Did you leave Nature well 7) ____
Oh, March, come right upstairs,
I have so much to tell 8) ____

I got your letter, and the bird’s;
The maples never knew
That you were coming, -I declare,
How red their faces grew 9) ____
But, March, forgive me—
And all those hills
You left for me to hue,
There was no purple suitable,
You took it all with you 10) ____

Who knocks 11) ____ that April 12) ____
Lock the door 13) ____
I will not be pursued 14) ____
He stayed away a year, to call
When I an occupied 15) ____
But trifles look so trivial
As soon as you have come,
And blame is just as dear as praise
And praise as mere as blame 16) ____