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# Demetri Martin creates a 224-word palindrome poem



Demetri Martin's **poster-making abilities** suggest he might just be as witty in writing as he is on-camera. But his 224-word palindrome poem (that's right, the entire poem reads the same backwards and forwards) effectively proves it.

We're posting Martin's jaunt into light semantics amid his burgeoning TV career. Over the last few years, he's made appearances in a few small movies, like Rainn Wilson's **The Rocker**, hosted the **Trendspotting** segment on *The Daily Show with Jon Stewart*, and landed the lead role in Ang Lee's upcoming film **Taking Woodstock**. On Feb. 11, he launched a new series on Comedy Central, **Important Things with Demetri Martin** (hence the brilliant posters).

Some of the important things Martin discusses in his new stand-up show: honey bears, the differences between guts and balls and religious-strife among rats. Rodents, religion and genital activity are also showcased in Martin's poem, below, for your viewing pleasure:

"Dammit I'm Mad"

Dammit I'm mad.  
Evil is a deed as I live.  
God, am I reviled? I rise, my bed on a sun, I melt.  
To be not one man emanating is sad. I piss.  
Alas, it is so late. Who stops to help?  
Man, it is hot. I'm in it. I tell.  
I am not a devil. I level "Mad Dog".  
Ah, say burning is, as a deified gulp,  
In my halo of a mired rum tin.  
I erase many men. Oh, to be man, a sin.  
Is evil in a clam? In a trap?  
No. It is open. On it I was stuck.  
Rats peed on hope. Elsewhere dips a web.  
Be still if I fill its ebb.  
Ew, a spider... eh?  
We sleep. Oh no!  
Deep, stark cuts saw it in one position.  
Part animal, can I live? Sin is a name.  
Both, one... my names are in it.  
Murder? I'm a fool.  
A hymn I plug, deified as a sign in ruby ash,  
A Goddam level I lived at.  
On mail let it in. I'm it.  
Oh, sit in ample hot spots. Oh wet!  
A loss it is alas (sip). I'd assign it a name.  
Name not one bottle minus an ode by me:  
"Sir, I deliver. I'm a dog"  
Evil is a deed as I live.  
Dammit I'm mad.

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