A COMIC POEM

**DIRECTIONS**: Read the poem out loud. Answer the questions.

What if Batman ran when he saw a bat?
What kind of hero is afraid of that?
What if Aquaman was afraid of a shark?
Wouldn’t that make him an easy mark?
If Spidey was afraid of spiders,
Would he still overcome the law’s outsiders?
If The Joker couldn’t tell a joke
Or Captain Cold’s freeze ray was broke
If Poison Ivy’s thumb wasn’t green
Or if Lex Luthor wasn’t mean
Comics wouldn’t be much fun,
And I’d never get my reading done!
1. What is the speaker in the poem reading? __________
   A. a textbook      B. a poem      C. a comic book

2. What does the speaker think makes comics “fun”? __________
   A. the bravery of the heroes
   B. the evil of the villains
   C. the battle between the heroes and the villains
   D. All of the above

3. How many rhyming pairs are there in the poem? __________
   A. 3
   B. 4
   C. 6

4. What is the rhyme scheme of the poem? __________
   A. AABBCCDDEEFFGG
   B. ABABCDDEFFEF