HELLO POETRY LOVERS
Poetry Study
August 20th

Daily Description:
Describe your reaction when you read or hear a great poem.

Agenda:
• Expectations and Procedures
• What is Poetry?
• Finding Poems
• Acrostic Poems
• Reading poetry
Today’s Learning Goals:

• I will know what is expected of me in Poetry Study.
• I will understand why we read and write poetry.
• I will be able to find resources for Poetry Study.
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“Entrant submits two poems?”

“Yes! One about youth. One about elders.”

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POEMS DUE BY OCTOBER 1, 2018

DETAILS AT WWW.OMAHAPOETSPLACE.NET
Rights and Responsibilities

1. You have the RIGHT to be treated with fairness and respect.
   You have the RESPONSIBILITY to show fairness and respect to others.

2. You have the RIGHT to learn in a safe, secure, disciplined environment.
   You have the RESPONSIBILITY to do your own work without disturbing others.

3. You have the RIGHT to use the computers, books, facilities, and materials supplied.
   You have the RESPONSIBILITY to keep all school property free of damage and in good working condition.
Follow all procedures and policies as outlined in your student handbook.
Procedures and Expectations:

• At the start of class:
  • Be seated before the bell rings.
  • Take out your notebook and begin the day’s warm up.

• During Class:
  • Participate in class discussions and activities.
  • Marco…Polo…
  • Use books as needed and put them away.

• When you need to leave the room:
  • Ask for permission to use the rest room using hand signal and wait for response.
  • Sign in and out on blue clipboard and get a pass from Mrs. Bryant.

• If absent – use libguide to get notes and assignments.

• Clean up after yourself before leaving.
Poetry Study Class LibGuide

• http://libguides.ops.org/burkebryantps
Mix-Pair-Share

- While the music plays, walk around the room.
- When the music stops, stop where you are and put your hand in the air.
- High five the person next to you – you are now partners.
- If you don’t have a partner, keep your hand in the air and we will help you find one.
What is Poetry?

- Think – how would you define poetry?
- Write – your own definition.
- Pair – with a partner at your table.
- Share – your definitions.
What is Poetry?

• Dictionary.com: the art of rhythmical composition, written or spoken, for exciting pleasure by beautiful, imaginative, or elevated thoughts.
• **poetry**
• [pəˈɛtrɪ]
• literature in verse: literary works written in verse, in particular verse writing of high quality, great beauty, emotional sincerity or intensity, or profound insight
• One of the most definable characteristics of the poetic form is **economy of language**. Poets are miserly and unrelentingly critical in the way they dole out words to a page.

• The best words in the best order.
• William Wordsworth defined poetry as "the spontaneous overflow of powerful feelings."

• Emily Dickinson said, "If I read a book and it makes my body so cold no fire ever can warm me, I know that is poetry."
• Dylan Thomas: “Poetry is what makes me laugh or cry or yawn, what makes my toenails twinkle, what makes me want to do this or that or nothing.”
• Poetry isn’t meant to just tell about an experience.
• It’s meant to allow readers to imaginatively participate in it.
• Poetry can broaden our experience and introduce us to things we might not otherwise experience.
• Poetry can deepen our experience and help us understand everyday happenings in a new way.
Is it poetry?

Duck is the common name for a large number of species in the Anatidae family of birds, which also includes swans and geese. The ducks are divided among several subfamilies in the Anatidae family; they do not represent a monophyletic group (the group of all descendants of a single common ancestral species) but a form taxon, since swans and geese are not considered ducks.
Is it poetry?

On the map it is precise and rectilinear as a chessboard, though driving past you would hardly notice it, this boundary line or ragged margin, a shallow swale that cups a simple trickle of water, less rill than rivulet, more gully than dell, a tangled ditch grown up throughout with a fearsome assortment of wildflowers and bracken. There is no fence, though here and there a weathered post asserts a former claim, strands of fallen wire taken by the dust. To the left a cornfield carries into the distance, dips and rises to the blue sky, a rolling plain of green and healthy plants aligned in close order, row upon row upon row.
Why People Need Poetry

• https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=08ZWROqoTZo
Finding Poems
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=abZZ38xJnyM
A poem can be:

- A manifesto
- A shared secret
- A subtle whisper
- A clenched fist
A poem can be:

- Rhyming
- Metrical
- In stanzas
- Long
- Short
- In a particular form
- Not in a particular form
An acrostic poem uses the letters in a topic word to begin each line. All lines of the poem should relate to or describe the poem.

Sun shines brightly
Up in the sky
Nice and warm on my face
Acrostic Poetry

A: An acrostic poem
C: Can be about anything,
R: Really.
O: Of course, some people like to
S: Start each line as a sentence,
T: Though
I: I prefer weaving words into a
C: Creation that is more freeform.
“The Boat Beneath a Sunny Sky”
by Lewis Carroll

A boat beneath a sunny sky,
Lingering onward dreamily
In an evening of July —
Children three that nestle near,
Eager eye and willing ear,
Pleased a simple tale to hear —
Long had paled that sunny sky:
Echoes fade and memories die.
Autumn frosts have slain July.
Still she haunts me, phantomwise,
Alice moving under skies
Never seen by waking eyes.
Children yet, the tale to hear,
Eager eye and willing ear,
Lovingly shall nestle near.
In a Wonderland they lie,
Dreaming as the days go by,
Dreaming as the summers die:
Ever drifting down the stream —
Lingering in the golden gleam —
Life, what is it but a dream?
Writing an Acrostic Poem

• Use the descriptive phrases you came up with.
• Write an acrostic poem of your name.