**Poetry Unit Grade 6 Culminating Project**

**Due Date:** Feb. 19 (if storm occurs due: Feb. 22)

**How many poems:** 8-12 (8 lines or more except for cinquain and diamante)

**How many forms:** At least 4 forms (but can use more forms)

**Organized around a theme or topic:**

Examples: nature, family, friendship, school, an animal, a pet,

A concept: justice, kindness, compassion, and other (positive) emotions,

Social issues: pollution, equality, gender bias, etc.

What work Needs to be Completed:

10 poems-

**Timeline:** (8 days)

**8th day**: submit completed good copies of poems:

**7th day**: Final Edit of Spelling, spacing, punctuation

**6th day**: Revision based on Feedback

**5th day**: Feedback from at least one peer/ Feedback given to at least one peer

**4th day**: Revise completed poems. Consider spacing, line breaks, word choice, and punctuation---use revision list given in class to assist.

**3rd day**: Write 4-5 poems (or more) ( Weekend homework finish poems)

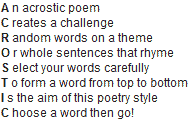
**2nd day**: Write 4-5 poems (or more) / Review Poetry Rubric

**1st day**: Create plan, create/ revise/ review rubric qualities (**Rubric Code:** **CX5X558 )**,

Poetry types covered in class include: Free Verse, Acrostic, Cinquain, Tyburn, Diamante,

Haiku, Kennings, Kyrielle, Rondeau, Shape, Kennings.

**POETRY TYPES**  
An acrostic poem is a type of poetry where the first, last or other letters in a line spell out a particular word or phrase. The most common and simple form of an acrostic poem is where the first letters of each line spell out the word or phrase.



A cinquain poem is a [**verse**](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/terms-verse) of five lines that do not [**rhyme**](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/terms-rhyme). The cinquain poem was created by Adelaide Crapsey.

**What is the structure of a cinquain?**

A cinquain consists of five unrhymed lines.

Each line has a set number of [**syllables**](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/terms-syllable) see below:

Line 1: 2 syllables  
Line 2: 4 syllables  
Line 3: 6 syllables  
Line 4: 8 syllables  
Line 5: 2 syllables

My mum (2 syllables)  
Is so caring (4 syllables)  
She is always helpful (6 syllables)  
She is so beautiful and kind (8 syllables)  
Love you. (2 syllables)

What is a Diamante Poem?

When a diamante poem is written it takes on the shape of a diamond.

**The Structure of a Diamante Poem**

A diamante poem is made up of 7 lines using a set structure:

Line 1: Beginning subject  
Line 2: Two describing words about line 1  
Line 3: Three doing words about line 1  
Line 4: A short phrase about line 1, a short phrase about line 7  
Line 5: Three doing words about line 7  
Line 6: Two describing words about line 7  
Line 7: End subject

**An example of a diamante poem**

Bike  
Shiny, quiet,  
Pedaling, spinning, weaving  
Whizzing round corners, zooming along roads  
Racing, roaring, speeding  
Fast, loud,  
Car

**What is a Haiku Poem?**

A Haiku is a Japanese poem which can also be known as a Hokku. A Haiku poem is similar to a [**Tanka**](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/types-tanka-poem) but has fewer lines. A Haiku is a type of poetry that can be written on many themes, from love to nature.

**What is the Structure of a Haiku Poem?**

A Haiku consists of 3 lines and 17 [**syllables**](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/terms-syllable).

Each line has a set number of syllables see below:

https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/images/layout/bullet.png**Line 1** – 5 syllables   
https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/images/layout/bullet.png**Line 2** – 7 syllables   
https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/images/layout/bullet.png**Line 3** – 5 syllables

**An Example of a Haiku Poem**

(5) The sky is so blue.   
(7) The sun is so warm up high.  
(5) I love the summer.

What is a Kennings Poem?

A Kenning is a two word phrase describing an object often using a [**metaphor**](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/terms-metaphor). A Kennings poem is a [**riddle**](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/types-riddle) made up of several lines of kennings to describe something or someone.

**What is the structure of a Kennings poem?**

A Kennings poem consists of several [**stanzas**](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/terms-stanza) of two describing words. It can be made up of any number of Kennings.

**example of a Kennings Poem**

**An My Sister**

Dummy-sucker  
Teddy-thrower  
Anything-chewer

Kiss-giver  
Slave-employer  
Dolly-hugger  
Calm-destroyer

Mlk-drinker  
Nappy-leaker  
Peace-breaker  
Scream-shrieker

Unlike any other  
My sister

What is a Kyrielle Poem?

A Kyrielle poem is structured so that all the lines have eight [**syllables**](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/terms-syllable) and each [**stanza**](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/terms-stanza) of four lines ends in a [**refrain**](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/terms-refrain). It takes on a rhythmical form very much like a [**rhyming couplet**.](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/terms-rhyming-couplets)

**What is the structure of a Kyrielle Poem?**

A Kyrielle poem is made up of 4 lined stanzas of eight syllables each. The capital being the refrain:

aabB    
ccbB   
ddbB   
eebB

**An example of a Kyrielle Poem**

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| **Pollution** | |
| *Pollution rising in the sky,* | a8 |
| *People wear masks as they walk by,* | a8 |
| *It's about time to turn the bend,* | b8 |
| *For all this pollution to end..* | B8 |
|  |  |
| *Animals are losing their homes,* | c8 |
| *To make way for buildings with domes,* | c8 |
| *What message do we have to send,* | b8 |
| *For all this pollution to end.* | B8 |
|  |  |
| *We're all guilty we must confess,* | d8 |
| *Guilty of making such a mess,* | d8 |
| *It's time for action, find a friend,* | b8 |
| *For all this pollution to end.* | B8 |
|  |  |
| *If we don't act the world won't last,* | e8 |
| *Breathing fresh air will have long passed,* | e8 |
| *This is the message that I send,* | b8 |
| *For all this pollution to end.* |  |

What is a Rondeau Poem?

A Rondeau is a short poem consisting of fifteen lines that have two rhymes throughout. The first few words or phrase from the first line are repeated twice in the poem as a [**refrain**](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/terms-refrain).

**Example of a Rondeau Poem**

The capital A is the refrain and sentence it is taken from

(a) In Summertime we do not go   
(a) To school for weeks and weeks, no no!   
(b) We take a day trip to the beach   
(b) And buy ourselves an ice cream each   
(a) We run into the surf that's low   
(a) Get seaweed wrapped around our toes   
(a) While others sunbathe on a throw   
(b) We build sandcastles tides can't reach   
(A) In Summertime.   
(a) As the light warm breeze begins to blow   
(a) And our hunger begins to grow   
(b) From the picnic I grab a peach   
(b) 'Let's stay longer' I do beseech   
(a) As the sun sets the sky does glow   
(A) In Summertime.

**What is a Shape Poem?**

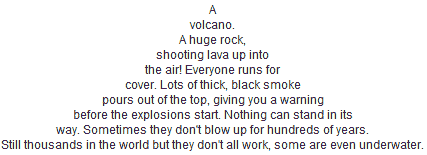
A Shape Poem is a type of poetry that describes an object and is shaped the same as the object the poem is describing.

You could write your shape poem on anything.

**What Shapes Could You Make Your Poetry?**

You could have a circle-shaped poem describing a cookie, or a poem about love shaped like a heart.

**An Example of a SHAPE POEM**



# **What is a Tyburn?**

A Tybur Poem is a six line poetic form where the first four lines consist of just a single two syllabled word each that all rhyme. The last two lines are nine syllables where the fifth to eighth syllables are the words from the first four lines.

**Example of a Tyburn Poem**

**PEANUT BUTTER**

Nutty,

Sticky,

Crunchy,

Tasty,

Peanut butter, nutty, sticky spread

With jellied bread, crunchy, tasty fed

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