



Poetry notes

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analysis of Poetry :

✓ Theme / main idea :

- every poem will have a theme or a main idea.
- each poem conveys a message.

✓ Form :

- Poem can be written in a particular form.
- Poem is usually written in lines.
- lines can be grouped to form stanzas
- can be free verse (no restrictions to the rhyme, or patterns).
- Enjambment or run-on lines are found only in poetry. (They occur at the end of the line where there is no punctuation, usually just continues into the next line).

✓ Diction :

- word choice
- Poet's use of words creates the mood / atmosphere and sets the poem in the correct time and place.
- word choice also influences the rhythm.
- Jargon + slang may also be used.
- The use of repetition is also an effective device.



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✓ Tone:

- Helps create the mood or atmosphere
- Examples: friendly, anger, sad, happy.

✓ Imagery:

- often involving the 5 senses, conjures up word pictures.
- achieved through a combination of literal and figurative language
- affect the reader emotionally or intellectually
- may use sound devices such as alliteration, assonance and onomatopoeia to enhance the Poem.
- may use metaphors, similes, personifications throughout the poem.

✓ Rhyme:

- Rhyme depends on sound not sight
example: ...tine / mine, born / dawn

✓ Rhythm:

- usually has a particular pace similar to music
- Poetic devices such as onomatopoeia, alliteration + assonance influence the pace.