**Poetry Project Examples**

Each example shows 1 stanza. (Reminder: you need a minimum of four stanzas)

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| ***Five Step Poem***    The five-step poem has five lines with a special format:    ·    The first line is one noun  ·    The second line is two adjectives separated by commas,  ·    The third line is three verbs separated by commas  ·    The fourth line is one phrase,  ·    The fifth line repeats the noun.    **\**Example of Five Step Poem***                Gas              Free, shapeless              Expanding, escaping, growing              Spreads throughout the room  Gas | ***Tanka***    The tanka, like the haiku, has a specific format with a specific number of lines and syllables in each line. It has five lines with the formula:    ·   line one has five syllables,  ·   line two has seven syllables,  ·   line three has five syllables,  ·   line four has seven syllables  ·   line five has seven syllables.    **\**Example of Tanka***    Chemistry is the  science of changing matter.  Creating a new  substance with new physical  and chemical properties. |
| ***Cincain***    The cincain is a five line format.    ·    The first line has two syllables,  ·    the second line has four syllables,  ·    the third line has six syllables,  ·    the fourth line has eight syllables  ·    the last line has two syllables.    **\**Example of Cincain***  http://www.swsd.k12.pa.us/%7Ediane_kinney/CHEMISTRY%20POETRY%20DESCRIPTION1_files/image002.gif      Compound  http://www.swsd.k12.pa.us/%7Ediane_kinney/CHEMISTRY%20POETRY%20DESCRIPTION1_files/image003.gifhttp://www.swsd.k12.pa.us/%7Ediane_kinney/CHEMISTRY%20POETRY%20DESCRIPTION1_files/image004.gif   A combining              Chemically of two              Or more elements to form pure              Substance. | ***Haiku***  Haiku is a Japanese form of poetry with three unrhymed lines that have an easy flow governed by the number of syllables in each line:    ·   five in the first,  ·   seven in the second, and  ·   five in the third.    You may want to use a modified format with a description line in line one, an action line in line two, and a significant detail in line three.    **\**Example of Haiku***    World-wide pollution  Destroys our great universe  Can we control it? |

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| ***Concrete Poem***  Concrete poems play with words and shapes. Some poems are shapes filled in with words; in other poems words may outline a shape or imitate a movement. The poems don't have to rhyme or have a certain number of words or syllables. Decide what you want to write about. (It should be a visible thing.) Jot down words or phrases that come to mind. Expand one idea into several phrases or sentences and then design the shape of the poem. | |
| ***Diamonte***    This is a seven-line poem shaped like a diamond.  The diamond shape results from this line-by-line format:    ·   line one has one noun,  ·   line two has two adjectives,  ·   line three has three verbs ending in "-ing,"  ·   line four has four nouns,  ·   line five has three more verbs ending in "-ing,"  ·   line six has two adjectives,  ·   line seven has one noun.    ***\*Example of Diamonte***    Reaction  poisonous,  toxic  releasing,  producing,  forming  heat,    light,    gas,   precipitate  burning, decomposing,  reacting  hazardous,  explosive  Change | ***Syntu***  Syntu is an example of poetry with five simple lines that describe something.  First write a detailed description or observation. Then summarize and condense the observation using the following format:    ·   line one names the subject,  ·   line two contains an observation or fact about the subject,  ·   line three identifies a feeling or emotion about the subject,  ·   line four gives another fact about the subject,  ·   line five contains a synonym for the subject.    **\**Example of Syntu***  Law of Conservation of Energy               May assume different forms               Energy bookkeeping               Energy remains constant       First Law of Thermodynamics |

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