

*“And all the colors I am inside have
not been invented yet.”
~ Shel Silverstein*

*“I know nothing in the world that
has as much power as a word.
Sometimes I write one, and I look at
it, until it begins to shine.”
~ Emily Dickinson*

Big Idea: Language & literature help us find meaning & joy.

Essential Questions:
1) What is poetry?
2) What do poems “do”?
3) What makes a poem “good”?
4) Why write poetry?



KEY WORDS	
Onomatopoeia	Figurative language
Alliteration	Simile
Imagery	Metaphor
Rhyme	Personification
Rhythm	Free verse
Stanza	Haiku
Line break	Acrostic
White space	Limerick

What’s the biggest thing to get from this unit...

- Poetry is SO much more than rhyme!!!
- Poetry is written with purpose, beauty and power
- **Poetry...**
 - helps us understand people
 - tells stories
 - can make us laugh
 - shares emotions
 - makes us wonder
 - tells a message

D	R	M	KNOW
			I can distinguish between prose and poetry
			I can define and identify: <i>onomatopoeia, alliteration, imagery, simile, metaphor, personification</i>
			I can recognize the structure and form of various types of poetry including: <i>acrostic, concrete, rhyming, limerick, haiku, free verse</i>
			I can understand the metaphor of poetry “doors” and give examples of each
D	R	M	DO
			I can identify and use reading strategies before, during and after reading to help me better understand a poem
			I can make connections and respond thoughtfully to poetry to better understand poetry, myself and others
			I can analyze a poem for its theme and the impact of poetic elements used
			I can read a poem aloud with fluency and expression
			I can effectively participate in literary discussions by listening purposefully and sharing my ideas
			I can use poetic elements, including metaphor, in my writing to convey meaning and achieve a purpose



“Poetry is the rhythmical creation of beauty in words.”
~ Edgar Allan Poe

Poetry is when an emotion has found its thought and the thought has found words.”
~ Robert Frost