

## TYPES OF POETRY

A poem is a form of creative writing that uses imaginative language, rhythm, and sometimes rhyme to express emotions, ideas, or stories.

- **Structure:** Written in lines and stanzas (verses) rather than paragraphs.
- **Focus on Sound:** Uses rhythm, rhyme, repetition, and alliteration to create a musical effect.
- **Imagery:** Employs descriptive language to create vivid mental pictures or sensory experiences
- **Concise Language:** Focuses on choosing precise, powerful words to express complex feelings or ideas.

### Acrostic

**Acrostic:** poetry in which the first letter of each line, when read vertically, spell out a word. The word is usually the subject of the poem. Also called a name poem.

<https://youtu.be/plsv1nc66DM?si=DaPiSGpAftH5Zphk>

### Vanilla

*As I eat it on my brownie  
Not doubting it's sweet  
Ice cream is a tasty treat  
Lots of lingering taste  
Lasting to the end  
Always my favorite!*

### Haiku

**Haiku:** an ancient Japanese form with no rhyme. Haiku often deal with nature. This type of poetry has three lines with a fixed number of syllables:

Line 1= 5 syllables

Line 2= 7 syllables

Line 3= 5 syllables

<https://youtu.be/q2NE4a3NxUw?si=1Da1efshfSf8eiZ6>

### Worm

*At / night, / qui / et / ly,  
a / worm / un / der / the / moon / light  
digs / in / to / a / nut.*

### Couplets

**Couplets:** two-line poems with a fun and simple rhyming pattern. Each line has the same meter and their endings rhyme with one another. Couplets are often humorous.

<https://youtu.be/nY5BiDLUTpU?si=EBnmvRsA4ngYfyO>

*My English teacher wants me to use imagination  
So I go to math class and let my mind go on vacation!*

### Cinquain

**Cinquain:** a form consisting of five lines. Each has a required number of syllables, and a specific topic.

Line 1: Title (noun)- 2

syllables Line 2:

Description- 4 syllables

Line 3: Action- 6 syllables

Line 4: Feeling (phrase)- 8 syllables

Line 5: Title (synonym for the title)- 2 syllables

<https://youtu.be/fZ8V0WMheB4?si=Fx06mn56jH1MqD4d>

### Flowers

*Pretty,  
fragrant  
Waiting, watching,  
weeding Enjoying all the  
while they grow Gardens*

<p><b>Diamante</b></p> <p><b>Diamante</b> poems: diamond-shaped poems of seven lines that are written using parts of speech.</p> <p>The Diamante is a form similar to the Cinquain  Line 1: Noun or subject  Line 2: Two Adjectives  Line 3: Three 'ing' words  Line 4: Four words about the subject  Line 5: Three 'ing' words  Line 6: Two adjectives  Line 7: Synonym for the subject</p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/ttLGHa4wUa0?si=oJWf7JGHxhoFHZfz">https://youtu.be/ttLGHa4wUa0?si=oJWf7JGHxhoFHZfz</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Home Safe,  caring  Loving, sharing, talking  Friendship, food, car, travels  Living, loving, enjoying Joyous,  adventurous  Family</i></p>
<p><b>Limericks</b></p> <p><b>Limericks:</b> humorous, rhyming five line poems with a specific rhythm pattern and rhyme scheme. Lines one, two, and five rhyme with each other and lines three and four rhyme with each other. Rhyme pattern: AABBA</p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/lixkouTl8P8?si=EKzRe1juXqDp14uc">https://youtu.be/lixkouTl8P8?si=EKzRe1juXqDp14uc</a></p>	<p><i>A flea and a fly in a flue  Were caught, so what could they do? Said the fly,  "Let us flee."  "Let us fly," said the flea.  So they flew through a flaw in the flue.</i></p>
<p><b>Shape Concrete</b></p> <p><b>Shape Poems (concrete poems):</b> poem that form a visible picture on the page. The shape usually reflects the subject of the poem.</p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/0Zc0tBtotrM?si=NJtr1ECnBqGuUc17">https://youtu.be/0Zc0tBtotrM?si=NJtr1ECnBqGuUc17</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>I  Love Christmas!  It's my favourite Filled with  laughter and  Family Awesome</i></p>
<p><b>Free Verse</b></p> <p><b>Free Verse:</b> poetry without rules of form, rhyme, rhythm, or meter.</p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/9ChBrLO33_4?si=jftnaniyjhrbj5Wb">https://youtu.be/9ChBrLO33_4?si=jftnaniyjhrbj5Wb</a></p>	<p><i>What do the oceans do at night?  Do they tease and tickle the bottom of boats? Do they ripple away in fright?  Or are the beaches like coats That keep them still and quiet  And once the day breaks and it's breakfast time Do the oceans wish for some other diet than fish?</i></p>
<p><b>Quatrain</b></p> <p>A <b>quatrain</b> is a four-line stanza or poem, often featuring specific rhyme schemes like AABB, ABAB, ABBA, or ABCB..</p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/4dUTSBap2Iw?si=UMxeNtWRErWbIDoG">https://youtu.be/4dUTSBap2Iw?si=UMxeNtWRErWbIDoG</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Humpty Dumpty</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall  Humpty Dumpty had a great fall  All the kings' horses and all the kings' men  Couldn't put Humpty together again.</p>

<p><b>Sonnet</b></p> <p><b>Sonnet:</b> a poem of fourteen lines using any of a number of formal rhyme schemes, in English typically has ten syllables per line.</p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/IJMVNZvwY8U?si=GloGi28EJojrPo2d">https://youtu.be/IJMVNZvwY8U?si=GloGi28EJojrPo2d</a></p>	<p><b>FLAT SCREEN</b></p> <p>My new flat screen TV's not big enough. It sits upon the wall with too much space. So says my husband in pursuit of stuff. It seems to hang in air without a base.</p> <p>So tell me what it is about the size That makes each man just want to go for broke. To me, it makes no sense, is a surprise. The quest for big screen size is quite the joke.</p> <p>Each night he will recline and then, by rote He'll change one hundred channels one by one. He is enamored of the big remote And he's asleep before the night is done.</p> <p>So now you're up to date and up to speed. The truth is that this wife would rather read.</p>
<p><b>Ode</b></p> <p><b>Ode</b> poems are lyrical stanzas written to praise or glorify a person, object, or concept, ranging from formal, classical structures to modern free verse.</p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/aQEmkbWFBww?si=r_rOCXDcry8Ag3SL">https://youtu.be/aQEmkbWFBww?si=r_rOCXDcry8Ag3SL</a></p>	<p>“Ode to Tacos”</p> <p>“Oh! Tacos! Yum, yum, yum! You are the best! Crunchy or soft, corn or flour. Filled with beef, chicken, or cheese! I'll eat them all (with ease)!</p> <p>Oh, tacos! I love how you stay together And how you fall apart. I love how my plate keeps a little Of your leftovers. I scoop it all up for a second helping. Tacos! Tacos! Tacos! You are great for all days of the week, Not just Tuesdays!”</p>
<p><b>Elegy</b></p> <p>An <b>elegy</b> is a reflective, melancholy poem that laments the death of an individual or mourns the loss of something cherished, typically moving from grief toward consolation or acceptance.</p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/KSs_0C-GwKs?si=XvcZ3BoFU4ucevt6">https://youtu.be/KSs_0C-GwKs?si=XvcZ3BoFU4ucevt6</a></p>	<p><b>Ma</b></p> <p>Angelic she was resilient— she never quit strong like a diamond radiance glittered like gold love so gentle yet so strong</p>

<p><b>Blank Verse</b></p> <p><b>Blank verse</b> is poetry written with a precise meter—almost always iambic pentameter—but without end rhymes. It features 10-syllable lines (five sets of unstressed/stressed syllables) that mimic natural English speech.</p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/wOFccVNvnsE?si=Vua6EJvpMaitlGGJ">https://youtu.be/wOFccVNvnsE?si=Vua6EJvpMaitlGGJ</a></p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/cnPbDxWvZ4g?si=p_FrBtoVs9ICXBEE">https://youtu.be/cnPbDxWvZ4g?si=p_FrBtoVs9ICXBEE</a></p>	<p>These lines from <i>Hamlet</i> are written in blank verse (note the lack of rhyme and the consistent meter of unstressed/stressed syllables):</p> <p>"It is not nor it cannot come to good, / But break, my heart, for I must hold my tongue."</p>
<p><b>Epic</b></p> <p>An <b>epic</b> poem is a long, exalted narrative poem that details the extraordinary adventures of a hero, often reflecting the cultural values of a nation or civilization.</p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/zrNU4sEK-tA?si=tKjWwwHxm3jVMp5K">https://youtu.be/zrNU4sEK-tA?si=tKjWwwHxm3jVMp5K</a></p>	<p>The <i>Odyssey</i> by Homer (~8th Century BCE): Follows Odysseus's ten-year journey home after the Trojan War.</p>
<p><b>Ballad</b></p> <p><b>Ballads</b> songlike poems that tell stories...often deal with adventure or romance.</p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/hbE2NT1wao4?si=Zm8FsGowcnaYTWEu">https://youtu.be/hbE2NT1wao4?si=Zm8FsGowcnaYTWEu</a></p>	<p><b>"La Belle Dame Sans Merci"</b></p> <p>"I met a lady in the meads Full beautiful, a faery's child; Her hair was long, her foot was light, And her eyes were wild." -- --John Keats</p>