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Read the feature topic on poetry in today's ED! Magazine and complete some of the activities below.



- What is the definition of poetry according to the Oxford English Dictionary?
- What does 'rhyme' mean?
- What is the Poem Forest Nature Poetry Prize?



- Create a list of topics you think would be interesting to write about in a poem and brainstorm words you might use.
- Go online and find examples of poetry from three different countries.
   Make a list of ones you enjoyed reading and why.



- Poetic devices are used to create rhythm and imagery within a poem.
   Make a list of five poetic devices and find an example of each in a poem.
- Search online for the poets Maddie Godfrey states as being 'favourites'. Why do you think Maddie likes them?
- Find out if there is a poetry club in your area or school and what you need to do to become a member.



- Go online and find examples of 'slam' poetry being performed. What do you like or dislike about this style of poetry?
- Traditional poets such as Tennyson and Wordsworth are described by some as being 'dusty' or boring. Why do you think traditional poetry is not popular with young people? How do you think traditional poetry could be made more interesting?



- An acrostic poem is made using the letters of a word as the start of each line of the poem. Using your name, create an acrostic poem containing words or phrases that describe you.
- Using a picture or photograph you like, brainstorm different words you think of when looking at it, and create a poem which includes how you feel, or what you think of, when looking at the image.



 Using your copy of The West Australian, cut out the individual words from three headlines and create a poem which includes them. Remember, it does not have to rhyme to be a poem!

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Read this week's Newsflash stories to get the gist, then choose one or more of these activities to explore further.

DIG DEEPER  Discover a fact that someone else might not know.	TAKE SIDES  Is there a conflict? Who do you agree with? Why?	SO WHAT? Why does this matter?
YOUR LINE  Write an alternative headline for this story.	THIS JUST IN  Find out the latest updates on this story.	PANTS ON FIRE  Is anyone not telling the truth? What makes you think this?
FACT OR OPINION  On your copy of Newsflash, highlight facts in one colour, and opinions in another.	MAP IT  Create a mind map of everything you know about this topic.	WHAT NEXT?  Make a prediction. What do you think will happen next?
5W + H  Can you discover the who, what, when, where, why and how of this story?	SURVEY SAYS  Conduct a survey to find out what your classmates think of an issue.	WINNER, WINNER  Who do you think might benefit from this story?



