

Poetry: The Art of Language

Unlock your imagination and let your words dance on the page!

- A stanza is a group of lines that form a unit in a poem, often separated by a space, much like a paragraph in a story.
- Personification gives human qualities to non-human objects, such as saying 'the wind whispered through the ancient trees'.
- A metaphor describes an object or action in a way that isn't literally true, but helps explain an idea, like 'the classroom was a buzzing hive of activity'.
- Onomatopoeia refers to words that imitate the natural sounds of things, such as 'sizzle', 'bang', or 'plop'.
- Alliteration is the repetition of the same sound at the start of words that are close together, creating a musical effect in a poem.

Did you know? Did you know that poetry does not always have to rhyme? 'Free verse' is a style of poetry that focuses on rhythm and imagery rather than a set rhyming pattern, allowing the poet complete creative freedom to express their ideas.

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