**Create Your Own Poem Assignment**

**First, you must pick which type of poem you are going to write:**

* **Narrative**

 

* + Epic
  + Ballad
* **Free Verse**
  + Catalog poem
* **Lyric**
  + Ode
  + Sonnet
* **Elegy**

**Second, your poem must contain *three (3)* of the following sounds of poetry.**

1. Rhythm 2. Rhyme 3. Onomatopoeia 4. Alliteration 5. Repetition

**In your poem, you must highlight each part where you used a sound of poetry term and write the term in the margin next to it.**

**Third, your poem must contain a least *one* of the following figures of speech / terms:**

* **Simile** – Example: The stars were like diamonds
* **Metaphor** – Example: My soul is an enchanted boat.
* **Personification**- Example: The sun smiled down on the emerald green fields.
* **Hyperbole**- Example: The garbage reached across the state from New York to the Golden Gate.
* **In your poem, you must highlight each part where you used a figure of speech and write the term in the margin next to it.**

**Fourth, your poem must contain imagery that appeals to at least *two* of the five senses.**

* **Sight**- Example “The lake glittered in the bright sunlight”
* **Hearing**- Example: “The wind roared and tree branches banged loudly against the window”
* **Taste**- Example: “The warm chocolate tasted sweet and rich in my mouth”
* **Smell**- Example: “The perfumed scent of wildflowers filled the air”
* **Touch**- Example: “The metal bat was cool and smooth in my hand”
* **In your poem, you must highlight each part where you used a figure of speech and write the term in the margin next to it.**

**Lastly, your poem must follow the following format.**

* Your poem must be at least 20 lines long. It may be longer if you like.
  + Exception: If you choose to write a sonnet your poem should only be 14 lines long.
* Your poem must be typed
* You must include a picture with your poem.
  + Extra points will be given if you submit a creative hand drawn picture.