

Poetry Assignment – English 11

Write 3 original poems of your own. All three must be a minimum of 15 lines- but feel free to write more than that on any or all of them. These poems can be written in any format (sonnet, dramatic poetry, free verse, rhyme, etc.) One of your poems will be read out-loud in a poetry café type setting during class. Your grade will be based on: completion of the writing assignment (doing three at the line minimum with the assigned topics), completion of turn-it-in.com (turning it in there) completion or the oral assignment (getting up there and reading two of the poems out loud), and use of poetic elements within your poetry (all those terms I made you memorize).

Each of your three poems must fall under the following topic categories:

1. A problem you see in our society today, or a problem you see in our world. (i.e. lack of respect, literacy issues, homelessness, starvation, etc.)
2. An emotion (love, hate, anger, embarrassment, joy, fear etc.)
3. A bio-poem about someone (family member, friend, celebrity, etc.)

On _____ you will bring all three typed poems to class and read two (your choice) out-loud. Extra credit may be given for reading more. You will also need to submit all three of your poems to turn-it-in.com by midnight Thursday. Your poems will not be graded until you do so, and you will be unable to deliver your poems without them first having gone through turnitin.com. Please write the category of each poem in the upper right hand corner, along with your name.

Poetry Assignment Rubric

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| Completion of the writing assignment | 60 points |
| Completion of turn-it-in.com | 10 points |
| Oral presentation of 2 poems | 30 points |
| Use of poetic elements within poetry | 30 points |
| | Score: ____/130 points |