

6th Grade Poetry Terms Study Sheet

1. stanza A group of lines in a poem.
2. rhyme The repetition of sounds at the end of words.
3. metaphor A figure of speech that compares two unlike things without using "like" or "as."
4. simile A figure of speech that compares two unlike things using "like" or "as."
5. alliteration The repetition of initial consonant sounds in a line of poetry.
6. personification Giving human characteristics to non-human things or animals.
7. onomatopoeia Words that imitate the sound they represent, like "buzz" or "hiss."
8. haiku A three-line Japanese poem with a 5-7-5 syllable pattern.
9. imagery Vivid descriptions that create mental pictures for the reader.
10. rhyme scheme The pattern of rhyming words in a poem.
11. hyperbole An exaggeration for emphasis, like "I'm so hungry I could eat a horse."
12. rhythm The pattern of beats or stresses in a line of poetry.
13. tone The author's attitude or feeling towards the subject of the poem.
14. symbol An object or word that represents something deeper or abstract in a poem.
15. limerick A five-line poem with a specific AABBA rhyme scheme and humorous content.
16. free verse Poetry that doesn't follow a specific rhyme or meter pattern.
17. narrative A type of poem that tells a story.
18. sonnet A 14-line poem with a specific rhyme scheme and structure.