TYPES OF POETRY

***HAIKU***

Poems with three lines and with a five seven five syllable count.

***LIMERICK***

A humorous verse of three long lines and two short lines following an AABBA rhyme scheme.

***FREE VERSE***

Poetry that does not rhyme or have a regular meter.

***COUPLETS***

Two lines of verse, usually in the same meter and joined by rhyme, forming a unit.

***NARRATIVE POEMS***

Poetry that has a plot (setting, conflict, etc.)

***SONNETS***

Poems of 14 lines typically with 10 syllables in each line.

Elegy: A mournful or melancholy poem honoring someone who has died.

***ODE***

A poem honoring (praising) a specific person or subject; Can be sung.

BALLAD

Poetry that tells a story; like a song; usually has a repeating refrain.

***ACROSTIC***

A poem that uses the letters in a topic or name to begin each line.

***BIO POEM***

A poem that describes a person in 11 lines.

***CINQUAIN***

A five line poem with a very specific structure; they usually tell a story.

Line 1: 2 syllables..one word title

Line 2: 4 syllables…words that describe title

Line 3: 6 syllables…words that describe action about topic

Line 4: 8 syllables…words that describe a feeling about topic

Line 5: 2 syllables…one word that refers back to title

**DIAMANTE**

Poems that are 7 lines long. The first and last lines have one word. The second and sixth lines have two words. The third and fifth lines have three words. The fourth line has four words.

Lines 1, 4 and 7 have NOUNS.

Lines 2 and 6 have ADJECTIVES

Lines 3 and 5 have VERBS.