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Forms of Poetry

Poetry is nearer to vital truth than history. ~Plato, *Ion*

Poetry heals the wounds inflicted by reason. ~Novalis

1. **Ode**- An ode is a lyrical verse written in praise of or dedicated to someone that captures the poet's interest and serves as their inspiration. "Ode to my mom"
2. **Haiku**- A haiku originated in Japan, but people around the world enjoy writing and reading these short poems. (Each haiku has three lines; the first line has 5 syllables, the second has 7, and the third has 5)
3. **Elegy**- An elegy is a formal poem that reflects on death or another solemn theme. It laments the dead.
4. **Sonnet**- A 14 line poem that follows a specific rhyme scheme.
5. **Epic**- a long narrative poem on a serious subject. It contains details of heroic deeds and has many lines and stanzas.
6. **Concrete poem**- In a concrete poem, the words are arranged on the page to make a shape that suggests the topic of the poem.
7. **Narrative poem**- Narrative Poetry is found in different types of poetry such as Ballads, Epics, and Lays. All of these examples are different kinds of narrative poems some of which are the length of a book.