

## Poem Rubric

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<b>Theme of Poem</b>	Poem has a strong message that is clearly carried throughout the poem.	Poem has a clear message, but sometimes that message gets lost or drifts.	The message of the poem is unclear.
<b>Language</b>	Vivid word choice, good word variety, figurative language. Uses language to express emotion and evoke emotion in readers.	Contains some descriptive language and figurative language.	Contains limited descriptive language.
<b>Technique and Style</b>	Rhyme, rhythm, and style of poem is consistent and used effectively to set the mood of the poem.	Poem's rhyme scheme, style, and/or rhythm are present but inconsistent throughout the poem.	Poem does not have a consistent rhyme, rhythm, or style to hold the mood of the poem.
<b>Editing</b>	Poem has been proofread and there are no major or distracting mechanical errors.	Poem has been proofread, but some errors remain.	Poem has not been proofread, and there are major/distracting mechanical errors.