

POETRY

CHORUS 1

A poem is a piece of art
that's made of words
It could be sad and serious
or funny and absurd
Depending on the structure--
The poet's use of rhyme
The form they choose to use
And where the breaks go between lines
All these choices work together
To shape the way the poem feels
and what it means
And that's poetry

VERSE 1

ets write their words in lines
And group them together on the page
Each group is called a stanza
So each thought can have its own place
Some poems follow forms with rules
Like limericks or haiku
Other poems use what's called free verse
Where poets shape each line as they choose

PRECHORUS 1

Words can whisper, words can shout
That's what this thing called poetry is all
about

CHORUS 2

Because a poem is a piece of art
that's made of words
It can tell a story, paint a picture,
make a voice be heard
Depending on the structure--

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VERSE 2

By using vivid words, a poet helps
Us hear and feel and see
They paint a picture in our minds
And that's called imagery
Rhythm gives the words a beat
Repetition makes them sing
And you'll often see figurative language
Like the moon was a silver ring

PRECHORUS 2

All the words and sounds combine
(Spoken: The river hums a quiet song.)
To shape the meaning line by line
(Spoken: Drift along. Drift along.)

CHORUS 3

A poem is a piece of art
that's made of words
It can leave a thought that stays
ong after it's heard
Notice the structure--
The poet's use of rhyme
The form they choose to use
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