

Poem Reader

CCSSR Anchor Standards- 2. Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

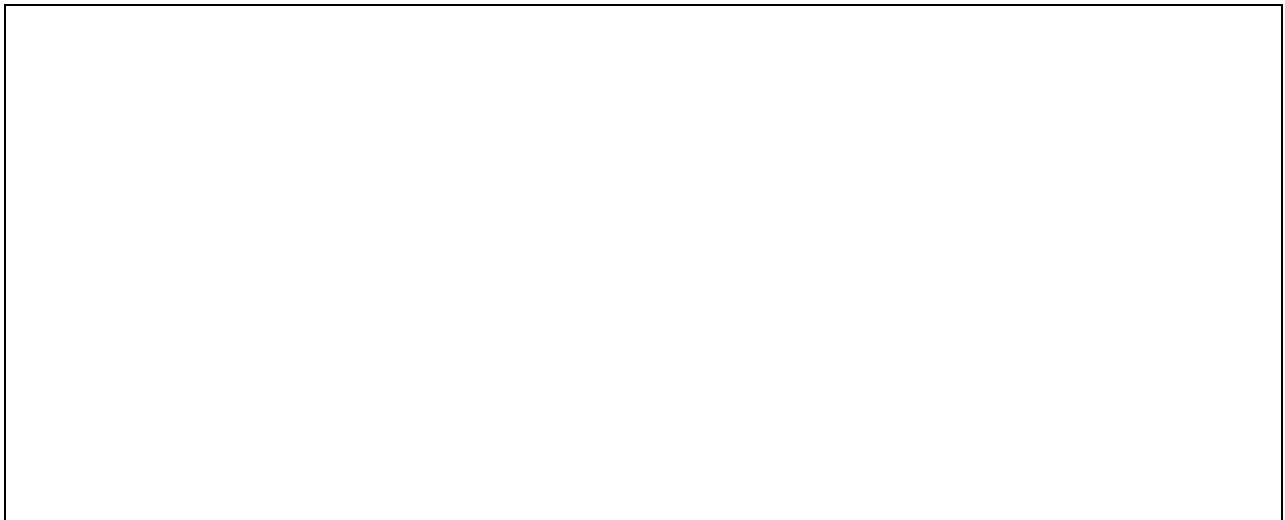
4. Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone.

A poet is like a painter. The poet uses words to help you see a theme or message about a topic.

Poem: _____

What do you like most about this poem?

Draw a picture to illustrate the poem. Show what you think the poet's message is.



✓ What is the theme of the poem—what is the poet's message?

Why do you think that is the message the poet wants you to understand?

A poet uses techniques. Look for examples of these techniques in the poem.

Technique	Example
Alliteration	
Metaphor	
Simile	
Narrator	
Rhyme	
Symbol	
Repetition	
Onomatopoeia	

Think about these questions. Give evidence to support your answers.

✓ Choose a line you think is very important. What is the line?

Why is that line important?

✓ What is the mood of the poem—the feeling it has—happy, sad, calm, another feeling?

How does the poet give the poem that mood?

EXCEED:

Write about the poem. How it is like a story you have read or an experience you had?
Write your own poem about the theme of this poem.