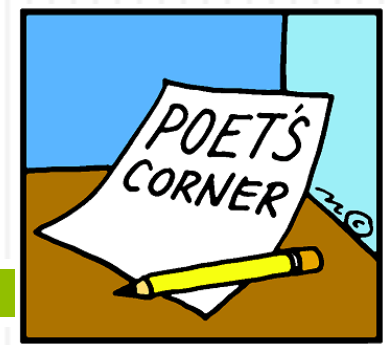


**EQ: HOW DO YOU
EXPRESS SOMETHING
THAT IS IMPORTANT
TO YOU?**

UNIT 4 WEEK 5

GENRE: POETRY



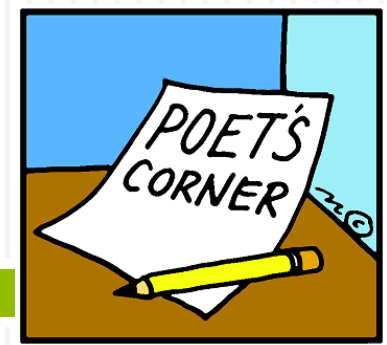
➤ Lyric

- Expresses the poet's thoughts and feelings
- Often in a regular meter, or pattern of sounds
- May be arranged in stanzas
- May contain rhyme and alliteration

➤ Free Verse

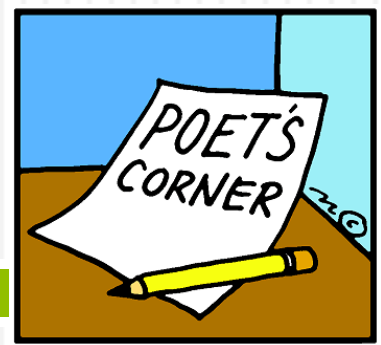
- Expresses a poet's ideas and feelings with carefully chosen words
- Has no set rhyming pattern, meter, or line length
- May include alliteration and stanzas

THEME



- **The theme of a poem is the message, or big idea, that the poet wishes to communicate**
- **To determine a poem's theme:**
 - **identify poetic elements**
 - **key details**

STANZA & METER



➤ Stanza

- A group of lines in a poem
- Stanzas separate ideas in a poem. They act like paragraphs.
- Together these ideas help form a poem's main message

➤ Meter

- Also called rhythm
- A regular pattern of sounds in a line

March

→ *A blue day*

A blue jay

And a good beginning.

→ *One crow,*

Melting snow –

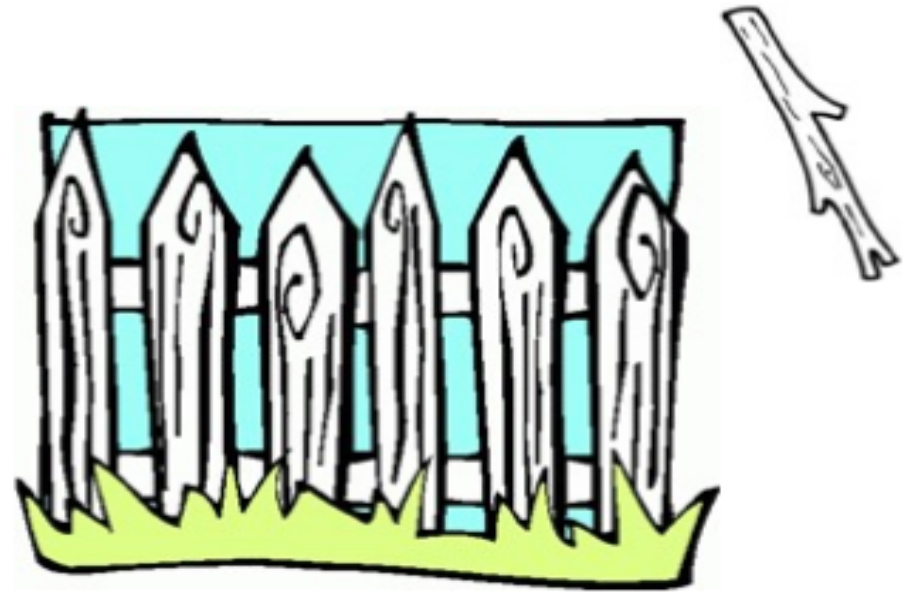
Spring's winning!

METER/RHYTHM



The Pickety Fence *by David McCord*

The pickety fence
The pickety fence
Give it a lick it's
The pickety fence
Give it a lick it's
A clickety fence
Give it a lick it's a lickety fence
Give it a lick
Give it a lick
Give it a lick
With a rickety stick
pickety
pickety
pickety
pick.



The rhythm in this poem is fast – to match the speed of the stick striking the fence.

SIMILE & METAPHOR



➤ Simile

- Makes a comparison
- Uses the words *like* or *as*
- “legs like sticks”

This pizza is as cold as ice!



➤ Metaphor

- Makes a comparison
- Does NOT use the words *like* or *as*
- “stick legs”

