

Narrative Poetry

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Narrative Poem Rubric

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Hour \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** Creative and appropriate for poem \_\_\_\_\_ / 2 points

**Content:** The poem is a narrative poem that meets all criteria of narrative poetry (tells a story) \_\_\_\_\_ / 5 points

**Structure:** Poem has 16 lines and 4 stanzas \_\_\_\_\_ / 5 points

**Fluency:** The poem has good rhythm and flows well. It is logical and well organized. The lines of poetry and stanzas work together to create an accurate description of the event and feelings during the event. \_\_\_\_\_ / 10 points

**Figurative Language:** Poem includes four of the following devices used correctly to add meaning to the poem: \_\_\_\_\_ / 24 points (6 per device)  
Simile, Metaphor, Personification, Alliteration, Onomatopoeia, Repetition, Imagery

**Illustration:** Poem includes at least one illustration. The illustration is included on the page with the poem, is colored, and has a definite connection/direct relationship to the poem. \_\_\_\_\_ / 5 points

**Presentation:** Final copy is typed or handwritten in cursive, using ink. \_\_\_\_\_ / 5 points

**Final copy must be on plain, white paper.**

**EXTRA CREDIT:** Poem follows rhyme scheme ABBACCDDEFFEGHHG \_\_\_\_\_ + up to 5 points

**Total Points** \_\_\_\_\_ / 56 points

**Teacher Feedback:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Hr. \_\_\_\_\_

### Narrative Poem

Directions:

- A. Create a narrative poem. Remember Narrative Poems have a plot or a storyline. You need to take **one** of your "snapshots" or "small moments" and create a poem based on the experience.
- B. The poem should follow a rhyme scheme of your choice. Every line gets its own letter based on the rhyme. If the rhyme is repeated then it should be assigned the same letter.

For example in the first stanza of the poem below, the last word in the first line is "dress", which makes the first line gets labeled with the letter A. The next line ends with "do", which doesn't rhyme with dress, and therefore gets the letter B. The third line ends with "shoe", which does rhyme with "do" so it would also get labeled with the letter B. The fourth line ends in "mess", which rhymes with "dress", so the fourth line will receive the same letter A. In the second stanza, a new rhyme scheme begins.

Example

Narrative Poem

Trampoline

I stood in front with a long red **dress** (A)  
I wasn't sure what to **DO** (B)  
I hadn't planned on this, and took off my left **SHOE** (B)  
I wanted to jump on the tramp, but oh what a **mess** (A)

Every person took their **TURN** (C)  
Lots even got a **BURN** (C)  
Some fell and got **bumps** (D)  
Others made large **jumps** (D)

- C. The lines of your poem should be at least four words long in order to keep up the rhythm and fluency. Your poem should be at least 16 lines and constructed into 4 stanzas.
- D. Poem must include four of the following devices used correctly to add meaning to the story:  
Alliteration, Imagery, Metaphor, Onomatopoeia, Personification, Repetition, and Simile
- E. You must include at least one colored illustration that has a definite connection or relationship to the poem.
- F. Your poem must be typed or handwritten in cursive using ink. IT MUST BE ON UNLINED PAPER!