Spelling list: GCSE English Literature: Poetry 2

Key words for GCSE English Literature.

tone **Tone** is the general attitude and character of a text.

metre Metre is the basic rhythmic structure of a poem.

sonnet A **sonnet** is a fourteen-line poem written in iambic pentameter.

ballad A **ballad** is a narrative poem often set to music.

couplet A **couplet** is a pair of lines.

lyric A **lyric** poem expresses the speaker's feelings and emotions.

ode An **ode** is a poem that celebrates a person, place, or event.

rhyming Rhyming couplets are pairs of lines that rhyme.

couplets Rhyming **couplets** are pairs of lines that rhyme.

sibilance is the repetition of 'S' sounds.

iambic lambic pentameter is a rhythmic structure containing five feet.

pentameter lambic **pentameter** is a rhythmic structure containing five feet.

blank Blank verse has a regular metre but does not rhyme.

verse Blank **verse** has a regular metre but does not rhyme.

consonance Consonance is the repetition of consonant sounds.

dactyl A dactyl is a long syllable followed by two short syllables.

dramatic A **dramatic** monologue is a poem written in the first person.

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