Spelling list: GCSE English Literature: Poetry 3

Key words from GCSE English Literature.

enjambment Enjambment is continuing a sentence after the line breaks.

free Free verse does not use any consistent rhymes, metres, or patterns.

verse Free **verse** does not use any consistent rhymes, metres, or patterns.

iamb An **iamb** is a metrical foot used in poetry.

quatrain A **quatrain** is a stanza with four lines.

sestet A **sestet** is a stanza with six lines.

octave An **octave** is a stanza with eight lines.

rhyme A **rhyme** scheme is the rhyming pattern used in a poem.

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trimeter Trimeter is a poetic meter which uses three metrical feet per line.

tetrameter Tetrameter is a poetic meter which uses four metrical feet per line.

pentameter Pentameter is a poetic meter which uses five metrical feet per line.

elegy An **elegy** is a poem that reflects upon death or loss.

sight A **sight** rhyme is when two words look similar but do not rhyme.

end-stopped An **end-stopped** line is a line of poetry that ends with a punctuation mark.

volta A **volta** is a change in direction in thought or argument.

Anaphora is the repetition of a word or phrase at the beginning of each

clause.

refrain A **refrain** is a repeated verse.

anaphora