

Spelling list: Poetry Terminology

List of words commonly used in poetry essays

onomatopoeia	Onomatopoeia is when the sound of a word is the same as its meaning.
metaphor	Symbolism is an art style which uses mythology and metaphor to convey ideas.
simile	Simile involves describing something by comparing it with something else.
adjective	An adjective is a word which describes something.
enjambment	A poet uses enjambment to flow from one line to the next without punctuation.
stanza	A poem has a minimum of one stanza .
emotive	Emotive language provokes an emotional reaction from the audience.
emphasise	Words which emphasise an adjective, verb or adverb e.g. really, very.
technique	We all admired the wood-carver's technique .
imagery	Imagery is when words are used to create a picture in a reader's mind.
repetition	When words or phrases are repeated for effect we call it repetition .
language	The TV censor cut out the bad language .
rhythm	James plays rhythm guitar.
connotation	The connotation of the message was very clear.