

# Let Them Write Poetry: A Book about the Teaching of Poetry Appreciation Through the Writing of Poetry for the Teachers of Children from Kindergarten Through High School. Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 1962. Nina Willis Walter. 1962

Using poetry as a teaching companion is a delightful means to a solid educational end. As you use creative poetry activities across the curriculum, you'll also be differentiating instruction according to the ways each of your students learns best. Before we look at a wonderful exercise for teaching children to write poetry, let's see how the process fits into a multiple intelligence approach. Where appropriate, I've added links to other articles that might stimulate your own creative poetry planning. The building blocks of poetry are metaphors and similes. By working with these concepts, children develop skills in crafting imagery and careful word choice. This versatile activity is called the Like What? list and offers an understanding of simile and metaphor. Why Teach Poetry? There tend to be two types of teachers when it comes to poetry: Ones who love it and bring it into the classroom freely and often. Then others stay clear. The reason for this may be because they don't think it fits with the curriculum and what they are teaching. This post includes five reasons to teach poetry in the classroom. If you are a poetry advocate already, I hope you gain some additional insight and ideas to strengthen your program. If you are reluctant to teach poetry, I encourage you to read the reasons why and to find out for yourself. Why teach poetry? Children need to learn to read a variety of texts and poems are one of those forms. The unique thing about poetry is that we often read aloud, repeat often, and share in groups. Blurb books can be sold through the Blurb Bookstore, or they can be put into distribution through Amazon and others. Blurb Photo Books and Trade Books take different selling paths to Amazon, but if you're working with a digital audience, they can buy your book from any link. How you set your poetry book up for sale depends on the best fit for your profit goals and your audience. If you're a poet, this is the time to shine. You have more opportunities than ever to build your audience, and more platforms for selling your self-published poetry book. The work you are doing to give language to the Writing Poetry. Poetry Competitions. Poem Site Map. Home Page. Teacher poems are an excellent way of voicing your thanks and appreciation to a special teacher who has helped you through the past few months at school. "One book, one pen, one child, and one teacher can change the world" ~ Malala Yousafzai. "The best teachers are those that show you where to look, but don't tell you what to see" ~ Alexandra K. Trenfor. You've taught them it's possible to reach for their goals. And as they journey through life near and far, We will always remember their SHINING STAR! ~ Debbie Klier. You might like to use the following poems, together with a personal note of thanks, for being such a special teacher in you or your child's life:- Teacher Poem - Children Learn What They Live.