



The Lantern English Co.
Beginning Literature

Beginning Poetry

Course Description: A revised take on our original *Intro to Poetry*, this class introduces poetry in its most basic components – including rhyme, meter, literary devices, and theme – across varying styles and eras of poetry. Students will become acquainted with a number of well-known poets including A.A. Milne, Shel Silverstein, Christina Rossetti, Mary Ann Hoberman, Ogden Nash, Robert Louis Stevenson, Robert Frost, and William Blake.

Course Outline:

Week One: What Is Poetry? – with A. A. Milne

Week Two: Rhyme & Meter – with Shel Silverstein

Week Three: Description & Literary Devices – with Christina Rossetti

Week Four: More Description & Devices – with Mary Ann Hoberman

Week Five: Humor in Poetry – with Ogden Nash

Week Six: Storytelling – with Robert Louis Stevenson

Week Seven: Theme & Mood – with Robert Frost

Week Eight: Making Connections – with William Blake

Grading Information: All assignment grades for this course will be averaged to receive a final course grade. Please review *The Beginning Writer* grading rubric for more information about how assignments will be graded.