

Unit 7: Poetry (3 weeks)

To view the Grade 4 Poetry Unit developed by the Literacy Design Team go to eChalk, My Groups, select Grade 4 ELA Resources

- ***By the end of the unit, students should be writing during the workshop time independently for a minimum of 45 minutes.***
- Students should be encouraged to continue writing in their notebooks after meeting the goal of the day's lesson.
- Students should take the notebook home every night in order to continue practicing the strategies taught and accumulate entries.
- Students edit their pieces daily. Refer to the District Conventions Continuum to determine appropriate convention objectives (punctuation, capitalization, syntax) to teach during the unit. Copies are available in the grade level literacy binders and on the district website http://ww3.mamkschools.org/ela/Units_of_Study.html. Also refer to the Grade 5 Common Core Language Standards.
- Analyze student writing to assess whole class, small group and individualized needs.
- Meet with guided writing groups consistently as a way to differentiate writing instruction.
- One option is to condense this unit to three weeks by doing Week One (the immersion phase) as part of the reading workshop Poetry Unit of study that takes place concurrently.
- Students are encouraged to publish writing using word processing tools such as Word or other online publishing tools.
- **To view Grade 4 archived artifacts for the unit please visit the Grade 4 reading/writing page. Select "Resources" from the top nav bar. To access the units of study website use the link http://ww3.mamkschools.org/units_of_study/.**
- To view sample unit specific anchor charts for various units of study in reading and writing use the following link: <http://readingandwritingproject.com/resources/classroom-charts/third-eighth-grade.html>
- To view samples of student writing across genres and grade levels use the link <http://tc.readingandwritingproject.com/resources/student-writing>.