

Sonnet Pre-Write Sheet

Name:

Hour:

1. The emotion being written about in my sonnet is:
2. The emotion will be expressed through the broader topic of:
3. Sonnets have four divisions of through. Outline the ideas of your sonnet:

Quatrain #1:

Quatrain #2:

Quatrain #3:

Couplet:

4. I've checked that my sonnet is fourteen lines and is written in blank verse (iambic pentameter)
5. My sonnet has MANY examples of figurative language (at least one per division of thought.

Give Examples:

Quatrain #1:

Quatrain #2:

Quatrain #3:

Couplet:

6. The rhyme scheme of my sonnet is: abab, cdcd, efef, gg:
7. My sonnet is attached and the rhyme scheme is labeled at the end of each line:

Sonnet Terminology

- ❖ From the Italian word for “little song”, it’s a poem that is usually rhymed, 14 lines long, and is in iambic pentameter. It is lyric poetry, or poetry that expresses emotion rather than telling a story.

Iambic Pentameter: meter which consists of a line of poetry ten syllables long that has a non-accented beat followed by an accented beat.

- ❖ Sonnets have three Quatrains followed by a Couplet.

Quatrain: four line stanza

Couplet: two consecutive lines of poetry that are rhymed

- ❖ Sonnets are filled with symbolism/figurative language, including many metaphors.

Symbolism: something that stands for or represents something else.

Metaphor: a comparison between two unlike objects or things that do not use “like” or “as” but instead says that something “is” something else.