

## Poetry Worksheet #1

**Symbol= an object or a word that represents an abstract idea.** An action, person, place, word, or object can all have a symbolic meaning. When an author wants to suggest a certain mood or emotion, he can also use symbolism to hint at it, rather than just blatantly saying it.

**Allusion= a figure of speech whereby the author refers to a subject matter such as a place, event, or literary work as passing reference.** It is up to the reader to make a connection to the subject being mentioned.

**Metaphor= an implicit, implied or hidden comparison between two things or objects that are different from each other, but have some characteristics common between them.**

**Alliteration= occurs when a series of words in in close proximity to each other have the same first consonant sound.** For example, "She sells sea-shells down by the sea-shore" or "Peter Piper Picked a Peck of Pickled Peppers" are both alliterative phrases.

**Hyperbole= exaggerations to create emphasis or effect, not meant to be taken literally.** "I could eat a horse."

**Personification=the attribution of human nature or character to animals, inanimate objects, or abstract notions.**

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