## **Poetry Collection**

Poetry helps us develop our ability to use the best words to communicate an idea, image, etc... The better we are at choosing the right words the better we will be at communicating on cover letters, applications, letters to civic officials or business owners, etc.... Like it or not, you're already a fan of poetry because if you like music, then you like poetry. During this course we will examine different types of poems, different devices poets use and some of the different ways they use to create rhyme. Your task is to write your own poems, some will be of the style we look at in class and others will be of your choosing.

Your poetry collection will be structured the following way, in your rough copy section you will put all the poetry that you write, some will be whatever type of poem you want and others will be of the types we examine in class. From your rough copy section you will select what you feel are your best 5 to go in a separate section for marking and 2 in another section of which one will be an ode and the other a ballad. Obviously the more you write the more you will have to choose from.

Remember that there are writing prompts on my web page to help you with your poetry should you have difficulty coming up with something to write about. There will be some in class time to work on this, but it is also homework.

Your Poetry Collection will have the following:

- a) Cover page
- b) Clearly marked section of all your rough work/sketch copies of poems
- c) Clearly marked section for 5 poems following any style that you are familiar with. But they can't all be of the same type ie: limericks.
- d) Clearly marked section for 2 poems that are odes (1) and ballads (1)
- e) Back cover
- f) Marking scheme