

(Virtual) Autobiographic Poetry with Tor Warren

Day 1: Who are we? (Name Poems)

Introductions to other students, to classroom rules. Write poems about ourselves using the first letters of our names. Chat with a classmate and then write a poem about our classmate using the first letters of their names.

Day 2: Blackout Poetry

Nets by Jen Bervin

Write blackout poems about ourselves

Day 3: Haiku

Examples from Basho

Write haiku about ourselves, from given prompts.

Write call and response haiku with other classmates.

Day 4: Pantoum

Write pantoums about ourselves.

Day 5: Sestina

Read the Shrinking Lonesome Sestina by JD McClatchy

Read Nani by Alberto Rios

Write a sestina about ourselves

Day 6: Sonnet

Write a sonnet about ourselves

Day 7: Free Form

Write one of any type of poem the students wish to. Encourage to bring in examples of favorite poems, especially if they're in different forms, for a show and tell.

Day 8: Artist Bios and Covers

Write our artist bios, and design covers for our minibooks.

Day 9: Printing and Putting Together

Digitizing and putting our books together. Posting online (with student and parent permission) or printing physical copies.

Day 10: Show Day!

Showing off our poems with each other and our family.