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Learning and Participation Resource Pack

SPOKEN WORD

Suitable for KS3 Upwards



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Overview

This session will be based around Poetry (Spoken Word). Students will have the opportunity to express how they are feeling or maybe just release a talent they never knew they had. Some tasks will be based on a stimulus others will be writing freely, always working at a comfortable pace and ability.

Lesson Ideas

Task 1:

To begin please choose a poem ([Resource 1](#))

Once chosen, read the poem out aloud twice, taking note of the punctuation and how it flows.

Now you have only 3 minutes to write freely about the poem as if you were adding on from it.

Task 2:

In this task, which was designed by Roger Robbison, you have 10 random titles and you have 1 minute to write freely about the title, don't think just write. However, you must write at least 6 lines.

1. The world inside a raindrop
2. A kidney collapses
3. Spread in whispers
4. Shambles
5. I shake the coffee out of my laptop
6. Delete all the apps
7. 6 ways to run to and from yourself
8. Like a child on the sand
9. Lost but excited
10. Me, myself and lies

Task 3:

Write some 10 similes and 10 metaphors to get used to using different ways of writing to build pictures in people's minds.

Simile (saying something is like something e.g. As brave as a lion).

Metaphor (describing something as an object e.g. The snow is a white blanket).

Try and be as creative and unusual as possible.

Task 4:

Choose your favourite poem from the list on Task 2. You then have 20 minutes to further develop this poem. You can now start to add similes and/or metaphors. You can also start to play around with the rhythm of the poem (see examples of other poetry if struggling).

Task 5:

An opportunity to write about anything you want to for 5 minutes.

Outcome

After completing all the tasks students should have an understanding of some starter ideas to write poetry. This is a good way to express or to just get creative.

Resources and useful links

Resource 1: <https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems>

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