

Poetry Writing: Finding Your Inner Voice

Step 1~

Choose a class topic.

Step 2~

Brainstorm everything you can about that topic. Work quietly and independently and write down your thoughts. Thoughts can be in the form of a paragraph, a list, a mind-map.

Step 3~

Go through your own brainstorming and highlight expressions of particular interest. Be prepared to share those expressions with the class.

Step 4~

Copy the “master list” of ideas and expressions created by the class.

Step 5~

Use the list created and approved by the class as a *basis* to write your own individual poem.