

# Poetry Project - English 1 CP

Choose a piece of art or a poem OR song that inspires you to make a deeper connection. Follow the process listed below as a guideline. You may expand on any of the steps to create a more in-depth finished product. Choose only one of the two options - whichever best fits your own creative style!

## **OPTION 1:**

- 1. Select a piece of artwork that intrigues you.** You may select any artwork from any period as long as it is appropriate for school.
- 2. Research the artwork. (20%)**
  - biographical information about the artist
  - the era in which the work was created and how it fits into/reflects the thinking of this era
  - artist's inspiration for the piece
  - at least two other interesting facts
  - at least one credible/scholarly source, listed in proper MLA format in a Works Cited page
- 3. Get creative! Write an original poem OR song based on your interaction with and reaction to the art. (50%)** This should be titled, at least 14 lines, typed, and drafted/ revised as needed to create a quality finished product.
- 4. Write a one page explanation of how your poem or song was inspired by that particular artwork. (20%)** This must be typed and in MLA format.
- 5. Present your research and your poem or song to the class. (10%)** Remember, if you're choosing to create a song, you will need to sing and perform it for us! Ms. Hall will project onto the SmartBoard a picture of the artwork you've chosen so we can see your inspiration.

## **OPTION 2:**

- 1. Select a song or poem that intrigues you.** You may select any song/poem from any era and genre as long as it is appropriate for school.
- 2. Research the poem/song. (20%)**
  - the poet or songwriter's biographical info
  - the era in which the song was written and how it fits into/reflects the thinking of this era
  - the poet or songwriter's inspiration for the poem or song
  - at least two other interesting facts about the poem or song OR poet or songwriter
  - at least one credible/scholarly source, listed in proper MLA format in a Works Cited page
- 3. Get creative! Create an original piece of art using the medium of your choice which illustrates a connection to the poem or song. (50%)** This should be original, thoughtful, and able to be transported to share in class.
- 4. Write a one page explanation and reflection on your artwork. (20%)** Include why you chose that particular medium and how it specifically was inspired by the poem or song. This must be typed and in MLA format.
- 5. Present your research, the poem or song, and your piece of art to the class. (10%)** If you've chosen a song, Ms. Hall will play about a minute of it for the class so you can better explain your artwork. If you've chosen a poem, you may either read it out loud (if it's shorter) or summarize it (if it's longer) to better explain your artwork.

**Due Date:** \_\_\_\_\_