# Poetry Vocabulary

1. rhyme- two or more words which match in the same last sound. Ex.: bat, cat
2. rhythm - the beat or cadence of poetry. Ex.: But soft! What light through yonder window breaks?
3. alliteration - two words in the same line with the same starting sound. Ex.: the price of the previous one
4. metaphor - a directly stated comparison. Ex.: Our defensive line was a rock wall last night.
5. Onomatopoeia - the attempt to spell out a sound. Ex.: She heard the cat meow
6. narrative poetry - that which tells a story with characters, a plot, etc. Ex.: Casey at the Bat”
7. imagery - pictures drawn in the reader's mind by the words of the poet.
8. Personification - giving human characteristics to inanimate objects. Ex.: the teeth of a comb
9. Simile - a comparison using like or as. Ex.: She was clever as a fox

10. stanza - a paragraph in poetry, surrounded above and below by skipped lines.