Poetry!
Writing Class 1
What is poetry, anyway?
What is Poetry?

Poetry is a form of storytelling in a more abstract and whimsical way than your typical fiction book might be written in.

Poetry has got a lot of rules, and no rules at all. There’s no right way to write a poem, there are just ways that listen to the rules, and ways that don’t listen to the rules. And both ways are correct!

Poetry is all about self expression and talking about what makes you feel stuff.
What makes a good poem?
A Sensory Exercise

Think of a place, your favorite place maybe, and use sensory language to help me understand what this place is like. What do you see, touch, hear?

Name five things you see, five things you hear, five things you touch and five things you smell. Bonus if you can list something you taste!
Choose one favorite from each category.
Your favorite thing to see, to touch, hear, and smell.

With your favorites all together, I want you to write a short poem using them, and I want you to talk about how this place makes you FEEL! We can use the things we see, hear, or smell to help us paint a better picture for a reader of how something makes us feel!