

## **CONNECTING WITH POETRY PROJECT # 2**

### **ART AND DESIGN**

#### **MAKE A POEM LOOK FABULOUS: INSTRUCTIONS FOR A POETRY POSTER:**

Choose a poem. (If you have completed the project on designing a poetry book page, you may want to use that poem since a lot of the work will have been done. If you have not completed that project, do so now.)

There are many different ways to illustrate a poem: a story picture, a graphic design, a border, an important detail, or a background.

For the poem you are working with, think of those different ways.

What important things would go into a story picture?

What shape, movement or color might go into a design?

What sequence of simple shapes might be used in the corners and for a border?

What important detail from the poem is visual and might make a good illustration?

Does the poem tell you where it takes place so that you could do a background?

For any of these, you may need to do some research for details.

The second important thing to consider is which one of the ideas you could do best with the art materials you have available (paints, colored pencils, markers, pastels, torn paper)?

Make several photocopies of the poem on the size you want to make your poster.

Try out several illustration ideas as quick first drafts.

Choose your best idea and make your final draft of the poem and illustration.

#### **POINTS FOR FOCUS AND EVALUATION**

1. Did you complete the project on page design first?
2. Did you choose a story picture, a graphic design, a border, an important detail or a background?
3. What problems did you find with the medium you chose?
4. Did you make several first drafts?
5. Did you make a final draft?

6. If you worked with a partner did you cooperate to get the job done well and on time? What could you have done to make the job easier or the result better?