

I'm A Poet and Didn't Know It!

Unit Plan Overview

The Instructional Plan Overview assists teachers in understanding which pieces of the Unit Plan will be used daily. It lists the Assessment pieces, Lesson Plans and Student Web Lessons that the teacher will need for a particular day.

Days 1-2

Diagnostic Assessment

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Lesson Plan

There's A Writer Waiting Inside Me

Psst. Did you know there's a writer waiting inside each of your students? In this introductory lesson, students are introduced to the concept, What Makes Good Poetry, and are asked to explore the writer within each one!

Day 3

Lesson Plan

The Inside Story

When is a door not a door? When it's symbolic of something else! Students study the usage of symbolism in poetry and examine how symbolism can be used to explain their own lives and emotions.

Day 4

Lesson Plan

A Moment In Time

A moment in time before shooting a foul shot or the moment right before a runner steals a base can make for a fascinating poem. Students study poems to see how punctuation, line length, rhythm and word choice can be used to create a memorable moment.

Day 5

Lesson Plan

Personify This

Can a tree's fingers really stretch towards the setting sun? They can if the author is using personification! Students study personification in published works of poetry then create their own through the use of diamante or cinquain poetry.

Day 6

Lesson Plan

I Just Want To Say

I just want to say- I love you, I hate you, things haven't been easy for me, and much more. Through the use of poetry, people can relay a powerful message. Students study poetic devices included in conversation poems and explore their eloquent messages.

Days 7-8

Lesson Plan

Life Is Like

Is life really like a box of chocolates? Is it more like a bowl full of cherries? Students explore how to create their own metaphors for life.

Days 9-13

Lesson Plan

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Day 14

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Assessment

Summative Assessment A and B

Day 15

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