

Fundamentals of Poetry

English Literature · Answer Key · 25 Questions

1. What is a group of lines in a poem called?

- A) Stanza**
- B) Chapter
- C) Paragraph
- D) Verse

2. Which literary device repeats the same consonant sound at the beginning of adjacent words?

- A) Metaphor
- B) Alliteration**
- C) Simile
- D) Hyperbole

3. What do we call a poem that has fourteen lines and a specific rhyme scheme?

- A) Haiku
- B) Limerick
- C) Sonnet**
- D) Ode

4. What is the term for the pattern of rhymes at the end of each line in a poem?

- A) Rhythm
- B) Meter
- C) Stanza
- D) Rhyme scheme**

5. Which poetic device uses the words 'like' or 'as' to compare two different things?

- A) Metaphor
- B) Simile**
- C) Personification
- D) Onomatopoeia

6. What is the term for giving human qualities to non-human objects or ideas?

- A) Personification**
- B) Alliteration
- C) Symbolism
- D) Imagery

7. A word that imitates the sound it represents is known as what?

- A) Oxymoron
- B) Onomatopoeia**
- C) Consonance
- D) Assonance

8. How many lines are typically found in a Haiku?

- A) 3**
- B) 4
- C) 5
- D) 14

9. What is an extreme exaggeration used for emphasis called?

- A) Irony
- B) Metaphor
- C) Hyperbole**
- D) Pun

10. What is the rhythmical pattern of a poem based on stressed and unstressed syllables called?

- A) Meter**
- B) Rhyme
- C) Stanza
- D) Tone

11. Which type of poem is intended to be humorous and consists of five lines with an AABBA rhyme scheme?

- A) Haiku
- B) Sonnet
- C) Limerick**
- D) Free verse

12. What is a direct comparison between two unlike things that does not use 'like' or 'as'?

- A) Simile
- B) Metaphor**
- C) Personification
- D) Hyperbole

13. What do we call poetry that does not rhyme or have a regular meter?

A) Free verse

B) Blank verse

C) Epic

D) Ballad

14. The repetition of vowel sounds within nearby words is known as what?

A) Alliteration

B) Assonance

C) Onomatopoeia

D) Consonance

15. What is the name for the emotional quality or 'feeling' created by a poem?

A) Theme

B) Tone

C) Meter

D) Stanza

16. What is the central idea or underlying message of a poem?

A) Theme

B) Rhyme

C) Stanza

D) Imagery

17. Which term refers to the use of descriptive language that appeals to the five senses?

A) Symbolism

B) Imagery

C) Hyperbole

D) Irony

18. A poem that tells a story is known as what type of poetry?

A) Lyric

B) Narrative

C) Haiku

D) Ode

19. What is a brief, often witty, statement or poem called?

A) Epigram

B) Sonnet

C) Epic

D) Ballad

20. What is the term for two consecutive lines of poetry that rhyme?

A) Couplet

B) Quatrain

C) Stanza

D) Meter

21. Which term describes the repetition of identical or similar sounds at the end of words?

A) Rhyme

B) Meter

C) Stanza

D) Alliteration

22. A stanza consisting of exactly four lines is called a what?

A) Couplet

B) Quatrain

C) Quintain

D) Sestet

23. What is an object that represents an abstract idea in a poem?

A) Metaphor

B) Symbol

C) Simile

D) Hyperbole

24. What is the 'speaker' of a poem commonly referred to as?

A) The author

B) The poet

C) The persona

D) The subject

25. Which term refers to the dictionary definition of a word?

A) Connotation

B) Denotation

C) Symbolism

D) Theme