

LESSON NOTE ON LITERATURE-IN-ENGLISH WEEK 5

SUBJECT: Literature-in-English

TOPIC: features of Poetry

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FEATURES OF POETRY

1. Couplet: this refers to two successive rhyming lines in a poem.
2. Triplet/Tercet: this is a group of three successive lines in poetry, rhyming with one another.
3. Quatrain: this is a group of four successive lines in poetry. Often, the four lines may consist of alternating rhyme. The most prominent of the rhyme schemes of quatrain are: aabb, abba and aaaa.
4. Stanza: it is the poetic equivalent of the paragraph in prose. It is collection of verses.
5. Imagery: this refers to impressions created in the imagination of the reader or audience. There different types of imagery depending on the sensory organ being appealed to, using words. Visual imagery is targeted at sight, auditory imagery is targeted at hearing, gustatory imagery is targeted at taste while olfactory imagery is targeted at smell, etc.
6. Rhyme: this refers to the sameness of sounds between words in poetry. Rhyme adds musicality and rhythm to a poem. The music genre 'RAP' is an acronym for rhymes and poetry. There are different kinds of rhyme; end rhyme, alternate rhyme, half rhyme, eye rhyme, etc.