Bury Rangers Knowledge Organiser Buzzards: Poetry

Key Words	Definition
acrostic poem	A poem structured using the subject word of the poem written vertically and each line of the poem beginning with each letter of the word.
haiku	A Japanese poem of seventeen syllables, in three lines of five, seven, and five, traditionally evoking images of the natural world.
kenning	A figure of speech in which two words are combined in order to form a poetic expression that refers to a person or a thing. For example , "whale-road" is a kenning for the sea. Commonly found in Old Norse and English poetry.
rhyme	When two words have the same middle and end sounds.
rhythm	The beat of the poem.
syllable	The number of beats in a word – the separate vowel sounds. E.G., acorn = <u>a</u> - <u>corn</u> = syllables
verse	One of the parts into which a poem or song is split.

Tier 2 Words		
environment	The surroundings or conditions in which a person, animal, or plant lives.	
text	A piece of writing.	



3rd JANUARY January is a clean white sheet, newly-ironed; an empty page; a field of freshly-fallen snow waiting to be mapped by our footsteps.

John Foster

Kenning example

