

#WSRA2023 POETRY RESOURCES - PRESENTED BY JANET WONG

WHERE CAN WE FIND POEMS?

POETRY COLLECTIONS (SINGLE POET) VERSUS ANTHOLOGIES (MULTIPLE POETS)

I recommend sharing anthologies first with students to introduce them to many different voices and plant the idea that “poetry” is made up of many different approaches, topics, and techniques, forms, and people with a wide range of backgrounds. After your students find favorite poems in anthologies, they can then look for more work by those authors, either online, in additional anthologies, in single-poet collections, or picture books and novels.

Most of the books shared in this session can be found at **pomelobooks.com** and purchased here at the conference or at Amazon, Bookshop.org, and QEPBooks.com.

NOTABLE BOOKS

- 2022 NCTE Poetry Notables: <https://bit.ly/3GiOYit>
- 2021 NCTE Poetry Notables: <https://bit.ly/3oHdJ1U>
- 2020 NCTE Poetry Notables: <https://bit.ly/3ms2Kqa>
- 2019 NCTE Poetry Notables: <https://bit.ly/3FpAugq>

Check Sylvia Vardell’s blog **PoetryforChildren.Blogspot.com** for an annual Sneak Peek list of all poetry books published each year for children and teens; regular posts highlight selected books all year long.

SOCIAL MEDIA + BLOGS

You’ll find many poetry mentor texts, writing prompts, and book reviews in Poetry Friday blog posts throughout the Kidlitosphere. Here are some excellent resources:

- Marcie Flinchum Atkins: <https://www.marcieatkins.com/blog/>
- Michelle Heidenreich Barnes: <https://michellehbarnes.blogspot.com/>
- Robyn Hood Black: <http://www.robynhoodblack.com/blog>
- Mary E. Cronin: <https://maryecronin.com/blog/>
- Diverse Verse (Padma Venkatraman + add’l poets): <https://www.diverseverse.com/blog>
- Mary Lee Hahn: <http://www.maryleehahn.com/> + <https://ayearofreading.org/>
- Jone Rush MacCulloch: <https://www.jonerushmacculloch.com/blog>
- Rochelle Melander: <https://writenowcoach.com/blog/>
- Pomelo Books - Vimeo: <https://vimeo.com/pomelobooks>
- Teaching Authors (April Halprin Wayland + add’l poets): <https://www.teachingauthors.com>
- Linda Kulp Trout: <https://lindakulptrout.blogspot.com/>
- Amy Ludwig VanDerwater: <http://www.poemfarm.amylv.com/>
- Sylvia Vardell: <https://poetryforchildren.blogspot.com/>
- Janet Wong: <https://janet-wong.com/> (note the hyphen!)

SUBJECT/KEYWORD ONLINE SEARCH SITES

You can enter keywords or a subject that you need — and a poem will pop up. Here are some excellent resources:

Academy of American Poets: <https://poets.org/>
Poetry Foundation: <https://www.poetryfoundation.org/>
Poetry Minute: <https://poetryminute.org/>

POEMS ON PINTEREST

<https://www.pinterest.com/pomelobooks/>

Find hundreds of poems in colorful, digital graphics

Bilingual Poems in Spanish and English

<https://www.pinterest.com/pomelobooks/bilingual-poems-in-spanish-and-english-poemas-en-e/>

Poems about School <https://www.pinterest.com/pomelobooks/poems-about-school/>

Poems about STEM and STEAM

<https://www.pinterest.com/pomelobooks/poetry-for-science-stem-steam/>

WHY A POETRY SUITCASE?

Summary: <https://janet-wong.com/f/why-a-poetry-suitcase>

Slightly longer: <https://library.ncte.org/journals/CC/issues/v31-3/31728>

More: <https://janetwong.com/poetry-suitcase/>

SAMPLE PAIRINGS (PROPS + POEMS)

apples - "Eat" by Jack Prelutsky from *Things We Do*

avocado - "Avocado" by Kelly Conroy from *Things We Eat*

and "Border Kid" by David Bowles from *Here We Go: A Poetry Friday Power Book*

dog collar and leash - "Helping Our Neighbors" by Janet Wong from *Pet Crazy* or "Trust" by Gail Aldous from *What Is a Friend?*

fishing equipment - "FISH" by Carol Bullman from *Things We Eat* or "Wait!" by Sandy Brehl from *What Is a Friend?*

flip-flops - "On a Beach" by Suzy Levinson from *HOP TO IT: Poems to Get You Moving* and

"Flip-Flops" by Willeena Booker from *Things We Wear*

gummy worms - "Can You Wiggle Like a Worm?" by Rose Cappelli

hand sanitizer - "Micro Monster" by Laura Shovan from *Hop to It: Poems to Get You Moving*

KIND bars - "How to Love Your Little Corner of the World" by Eileen Spinelli from *The Poetry Friday Anthology for Celebrations* and "Open" by Linda Kulp Trout from *Things We Do*

mask - "Masks for All" by Shanah Salter from *Hop to It*

and "Mask" by Sandy Brehl from *Things We Wear*

measuring tape - "Grow" by Jane Yolen from *Things We Do*

noodles (udon) - "Noodles" by Janet Wong from *Good Luck Gold & MORE*

and "Udon" by Sarah Ziman from *Things We Eat*

nuts - "Nut" by George Ella Lyon from *Things We Eat*

paintbrush - "Inspired" by Douglas Florian from *Things We Feel*

paper airplane - "Fly" by Carole Boston Weatherford from *Things We Do*

and "What She Asked" by Virginia Euwer Wolff from *You Just Wait*

pen - "You Can Do It Right Now" by Janet Wong from *Hop to It*

pillow - "Nap" by Padma Venkatraman from *Things We Do*


pizza (empty box) - "Pizza" by Rebecca Kai Dotlich from *Things We Eat*

and "Pizza Week Menu" by Michelle Schaub from *The Poetry Friday Anthology for Celebrations*
rice cakes - "Rice" by Jacqueline Woodson from *Things We Eat*
seaweed - "A Suitcase of Seaweed" by Janet Wong from *A Suitcase of Seaweed & MORE*
snowflake - "Winter Counting" by Joseph Bruchac from *The Poetry Friday Anthology for Celebrations* or "Earmuffs" by Patricia J. Franz from *Things We Wear*
soccer ball - "First Practice" by Amy Ludwig VanDerwater from *You Just Wait*
soup (in a can) - "Soup" by Georgia Heard from *Things We Eat*
superhero mask - "Superhero Scientist" by Joan Bransfield Graham from *The Poetry Friday Anthology for Science* and "Costume" from *Things We Wear*
worry dolls - "Worried" by Naomi Shihab Nye from *Things We Feel*

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HOP TO IT
Twenty 20 Spoken Word Poems
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You can shout at a march.
 You can quietly pray.
 You can read the news
 and share it today.
 You can send the mayor
 of your town a note.
 You can make a sign
 that tells people to vote.
 You can talk to your family.
 You can listen to friends.

There are different ways
 to reach the same ends,
 to fight injustice,
 to show that you care.

You can do it right now,
 from anywhere.

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