

BOOMbox at Home

Found Poetry

Found poetry is a fun way to draw inspiration from existing text to create your own poetry. Turn an old newspaper, book, or magazine into a new work of art, or print out a copy of your favorite story or poem and make it your own.



Supplies

- source text (a magazine, newspaper, or old book)
- pencil
- black marker or white correction fluid
- other markers or pens (optional)

Make sure that you are using text that you're allowed to mark up! If you aren't sure, make a copy.

Instructions

- Read your source text and start thinking about the poem you'd like to write.
- Use a pencil to lightly circle or underline words you're considering using. Narrow down your options.
- Once you've decided what words you want to use, mark over all of the other words with the black marker or white correction fluid. Only the words you're using should be visible.
- If you'd like, write or paste in any other words you want in your poem. You can also add any drawings, photos, or other elements you'd like to your piece.

Send a photo of your project to mycreation@skokielibrary.info and we may feature it on social media.

What will you learn today?