

3-5: POETRY BOX:

Related academic subjects: fine arts, language arts, and social studies.

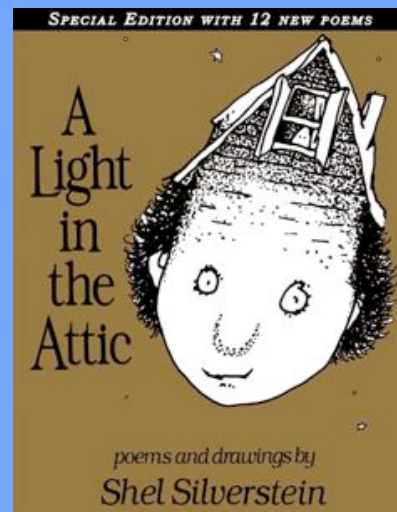
1. Think about words that connect with a topic you are studying in class (for example, communities).
2. Write down the words and/or find them in magazines and cut or tear them out. Write a poem.
3. Stick words/poem to your box by painting glue mix on the bottom & top of the paper pieces.
4. Decorate your poem box (inside & out) w/ words & pictures.
5. Share your poetry box in class.
6. Keep something special in your box or use it to give a gift.

MATERIALS:

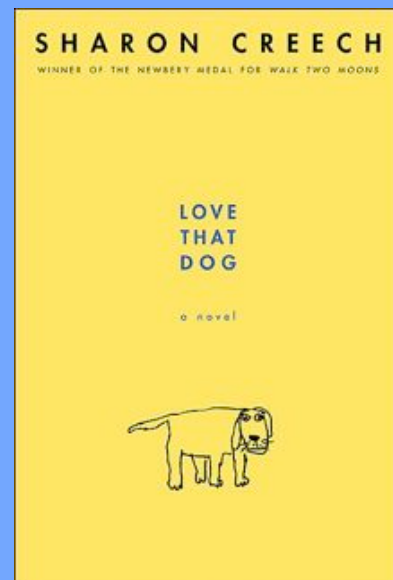
1. Sturdy cardboard box (jewelry up to shoe size)
2. Magazines & paper
3. Permanent markers
4. White glue mixed w/ water (3:1 ratio) in a small container
5. Old paint brush
6. Scissors



BOOKS:



[A Light in the Attic, Shel Silverstein](#)



[Love That Dog, Sharon Creech](#)



[Scary Poems for Rotten Kids, Sean O'Huigin](#)

WEBSITES:

[Poetry Foundation for Children](#)

[Scholastic Poetry Resources for Teachers](#)

[Edutopia: National Poetry Month: Useful Resources for Teachers & Students](#)