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### Web Sites For Poets

[Kristine O'Connell George](#) — An award-winning children's poet dedicated to nurturing young lyricists. The site has loads of teaching tools, inspiration, and advice for budding poets.

[Garden-Inspired Poems by Kids](#) -- Written by participants in the Ithaca Children's Garden

[Children's Haiku Garden](#) — A gallery of illustrated haiku created by students from around the globe.

[Listen & Write](#) -- Exemplary resources for both teachers and kids from the BBC Web site.

[Poetry for the Elementary Classroom](#) -- A multi-lesson unit from the Yale-New Haven Teachers Institute gets young kids hooked on poetry.

[Tooter4Kids](#) has several pages of interest to teachers and young poets:

[Forms of Poetry](#) — Explore various rhyming patterns, picture poems, acrostics, and other formats.

[The Poetry Club](#) -- Examples of these same poetry forms executed in kids' voices.

[Kids: Submit a Poem!](#) -- Encourage your budding bards to send in their favorite verses.

### Activities for Cultivating Poetry

(links to Amazon.com)



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### [Teaching 10 Fabulous Forms of Poetry](#)

by Paul B. Janeczko (grades 5 - 9)

This renowned poet offers insights, easy-to-use reproducibles, and step-by-step mini-lessons that make learning poetry a joy. Includes background information, ideas for teaching the forms, and reproducible models for each kind of poem. Poetic forms include haiku, senryu, tanka, limerick, found, concrete, and others.

### [Easy Poetry Lessons that Dazzle and Delight](#)

by Bernice E. Cullinen and David Harrison (Grades 3 - 6)

Offers illustrated reproducible poems as springboards to writing poems for two voices, easy rhymes, free verse, and more. Includes lessons on imagery, metaphor, simple refrains. This book helps you guide kids from fun, two-minute warm-ups to writing full-fledged poems.

