

Poetry Prompt Journal



*30 Days Of Poetry
Prompts*

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Poetry Prompts: Topics

Day 1: This Time Last Year

A lot can change in a year. Write a poem about what is different in your life between this year and last year, or a poem about things that are the same.

Day 2: Five Years From Now

What will matter five years from now? Will the problems of today even register in memory? What can one do today that will matter in five years? Write a poem about it.

Day 3: Vacation

Write a poem about a vacation. It can be one you took recently, long ago, a vacation you heard about, or a dream vacation.

Day 4: A Gift

Gifts can be very meaningful and take on many different forms. Write a poem about a gift. It can be a physical gift, or an ability, something you have, something you gave, or something you want.

Day 5: Necessity

Write a poem about something necessary. It could be necessary for survival, necessary for fulfillment, or something someone else has the necessity for.

Day 6: Luxury

Write a poem about a luxury or something luxurious. It can be something you have experience yourself, or something you wish you had.

Day 7: Poetic Form

Pick any poetic form, a sonnet, a haiku, a triolet, any form you like and write a poem using this poetic form.

Day 8: Bad Advice

We've all heard bad advice. Write a poem about some of the worst advice you've ever heard given.

Day 9: Prose Poem

Write a prose poem, a poem that takes the shape of paragraphs more than lines breaks. It can be in the style of a famous prose poet like Walt Whitman, or any style you wish.

Day 10: A Wish

Sometimes wishes come true, sometimes they don't, sometimes they evolve and change over time. Write a poem about a wish.

Poetry Prompts: First or Last Lines

Day 11: First or Last Line 1

It was completely unexpected...

Day 12: First or Last Line 2

I said I would be right there...

Day 13: First or Last Line 3

It was a great new experience...

Day 14: First or Last Line 4

It was an outdated world record....

Day 15: First or Last Line 5

I knew this would be the only time...

Day 16: First or Last Line 6

Are aliens real?

Day 17: First or Last Line 7

It was suddenly 5 years ago...

Day 18: First or Last Line 8

The silence of the night was its own song...

Day 19: First or Last Line 9

The echoes of a broken promise...

Day 20: First or Last Line 10

I looked at the books on the shelf...

Poetry Prompts: Word Banks

Day 21: Word Bank 1

Write a poem using as many of the following words as you can:

Whisper Moonlight Forgotten

Reflection Solitude Echo

Journey Serenade Blossom

Day 22: Word Bank 2

Write a poem using as many of the following words as you can:

Enigma Wanderlust Melancholy

Silence Embrace Illuminate

Yearning Reverie Fragile

Day 23: Word Bank 3

Write a poem using as many of the following words as you can:

Cascade Twilight Ephemeral

Mist Enchantment Sigh

Luminate Tranquility Harmony

Day 24: Word Bank 4

Write a poem using as many of the following words as you can:

Reverberate Labyrinth Essence

Mirage Sanctuary Cascade

Mirage Enigma Resonate

Day 25: Word Bank 5

Write a poem using as many of the following words as you can:

Ocean Dreams Moonlight

Heart Magic Angel

Sky Summer Love

Day 26: Word Bank 6

Write a poem using as many of the following words as you can:

Paradise Dance Beautiful

Star River Creek

Heaven Firework Freedom

Day 27: Word Bank 7

Write a poem using as many of the following words as you can:

Surrender Radiance Bliss

Adventure Melancholy Infinity

Celestial Serenity Velvet

Day 28: Word Bank 8

Write a poem using as many of the following words as you can:

Thriller Fantasy Destiny

Glory Ocean Memory

Desire Melody Eternity

Day 29: Word Bank 9

Write a poem using as many of the following words as you can:

Desert Canyon Glacier

Cliff Waterfall Flower

Tree Grassland Sunrise

Day 30: Word Bank 10

Write a poem using as many of the following words as you can:

What Forgive Reflect

Chorus Snarl Stare

Giving Detect Betray



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