

New Poetry Books

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100 Great Poems of the Twentieth Century - includes such authors as T.S. Eliot, Robert Frost, Ezra Pound, Ogden Nash, Edna St. Vincent Millay, and others.

A Maze Me: Poems for Girls - by Naomi Shihab Nye - a collection of poems for young girls who are struggling with adolescence (AR - 1 pt. - 4.8)

Acolytes - by Nikki Giovanni - poems that offer insight into the elements and forces that have shaped the author's life and work

Americans' Favorite Poems - 200 poems selected from the personal letters of thousands of Americans who responded to Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky's invitation to send him a favorite poems, and includes comments from the people who chose them.

Baseball Haiku - American and Japanese haiku and senryu on baseball

Best Poems of the English Language: from Chaucer through Frost - Presents an anthology of British and American poetry chosen due to their aesthetic splendor, intellectual power, and wisdom.

Blushing: expression of love in poems & Letters - by Paul Janeczko - Presents more than 60 poems and letters of love by such writers as John Keats, Emily Dickinson, John Donne, and Rumi, covering the beginnings of love, its duration, its end, and remembrance

By the River - by Steven Herrick - a 14 year old describes, through prose poems, his life in a small Australian town in 1962, where, since their mother's death, he and his brother have been mainly on their own to learn about life, death, and love. (AR - 2 pts. - 5.4)

Collected Poems of Nikki Giovanni - more than 200 poems written by African-American, Black Arts Movement writer Nikki Giovanni between 1968 and 1998

Dead on Town Line - Leslie Connor - a murdered teen's experience of her afterlife includes her effort to have her body found and to provide comfort to her loved ones. (AR - 1 pt. - 3.6)

Dirty Side of the Storm - by Martha Serpas - poems that celebrate the landscape and culture of the bayou country

Even in Quiet Places - by William Stafford - Stafford, a Christian, believed in helping a person when help was needed. His poems are about his own quiet experiences and knowledge.

Free Stallion - by Amber Tamblyn - collection of poems in which actress Amber Tamblyn explores relationships, loss and self-discovery (AR - 1pts. - 6.6)

Highwayman - by Alfred Noyes - an illustrated version of the well-known poem about the highwayman and his true love, the innkeeper's daughter (AR - .5pts. - 4.9)

I Don't Want to Be Crazy by Samantha Schutz - a poetry memoir in which the author tells of the pressures that led her to suffer debilitating anxiety attacks, and the path she took to coping and recovery (AR - 5 pts. - 5.1)

I Feel a Little Jumpy Around You

I Just Hope It's Lethal: Poems of sadness, madness, and joy - poems' authors include: Edgar Allan Poe, T.S. Eliot, Sylvia Plath, W.B. Yeats, and others. (AR - 3pts. - 6.5)

Invitation to Poetry: a new Favorite Poem Project Anthology - includes a DVD featuring project participants reading their favorite poems from Shakespeare to Szymborska.

Jinx - by Margaret Wild - with the help of her understanding mother and a close friend, Jen eventually outgrows her nickname, Jinx, and deals with the deaths of two boys with whom she had been involved (AR - 2 pts. - 4.7)

Jump Ball: a basketball season in poems - by Mel Glenn - tells the story of a high school basketball team's season through a series of poems reflecting the feelings of students, their families, teachers, and coaches (AR - 2 pts. - 4.9)

Learning to Live in the World: Earth Poems - William Stafford - 50 poems which reflect the ways in which we relate to the world around us

Ludie's Life by Cynthia Rylant - a collection of poems that tell the story of Ludie, a poor woman in a coal-mine town in West Virginia, from her childhood to her adolescent years, and then through her married life into her old age. (AR - 2 pts. - 5.6)

Names Will Never Hurt Me - by Jaime Adoff - several high school students relate their feelings about school, themselves, and events as

they unfold on the fateful one-year anniversary of the killing of a fellow student (AR - 5 pts. - 3.7)

Odes to Common Things - by Pablo Neruda - Spanish and English translations of odes in praise to common items: a table, guitar, cat, soap, tea, and french fries

Pain Tree and other Teenage Angst-Ridden Poetry - an illustrated collection of original poetry written by and for teenagers

Poems from Homeroom: a Writer's Place to Start - by Kathi Appelt - a collection of poems about the experiences of young people and a section with information about how each poem was written to enable readers to create their own original poems

Poems to Read: a new favorite poems project anthology - poetry that emphasizes the actual pleasures of reading poems, including hearing the poem read out loud, talking about it, sharing it with others, and taking excitement or comfort from it.

Poetry Daily: 366 poems from the World's Most Popular Poetry Website

Poetry Speaks: Hear Great Poets Read Their Work from Tennyson to Plath - includes a CD recording of each of the featured poets reading their works

Red Suitcase Poems - by Naomi Shihab Nye - a collection of poetry in which the author draws from ordinary events for subject matter

Rose that Grew from Concrete - by Tupac Shakur - a collection of poems written by rap artist and actor Tupac Shakur at the age of nineteen (AR - 1 pt. - 6.3)

Sailing alone around the Room - by Billy Collins - poem topics vary from snow days to Aristotle to forgetfulness.

Scripture of Leaves - William Stafford - a collection of poetry by William Stafford who reveals his feeling of life, loneliness, and difference

Song Shoots Out of my Mouth by Jaime Adoff - an illustrated collection of 24 poems that celebrates the power of music, and its integral role in the lives of teenagers (AR - .5 pts. - 3.4)

Student's Guide to Edgar Allan Poe - examines the life and career of American author Edgar Allan Poe, and features analyses of selected poems and stories.

Student's Guide to Emily Dickinson - presents a student study guide to the life and works of Emily Dickinson, providing biographical information, advice on how to read her poems, and a critical examination of some of her works.

Student's Guide to Robert Frost - provides a study guide to the life and works of Robert Frost, providing biographical information, advice on how to read his poems, and a critical examination of some works.

Sure Signs: New and Selected Poems - Ted Kooser - Poetry 180

Tough Boy Sonatas - by Curtis Crisler - poems that explore the struggles and joys of poor boys in Gary, Indiana, reflecting the difficult circumstances they face (AR - 2 pts. - 6.5)

What Have You Lost? - collected by Naomi Shihab Nye - poems on all kinds of loss by 140 writers (AR - 3 pts. - 6.1)

Who Killed Mr. Chippendale?: a mystery in poems - by Mel Glenn - a murder mystery told in free verse poems, describing the reactions of students, colleagues, and others when high school teacher Mr. Chippendale, loved by some, hated by others, is shot as the school day begins. (AR - 2 pts. - 5)

Words Under the Words - Naomi Shihab Nye - collection of poems in which the author draws upon her experiences as a Palestinian-American living in the Southwest, and her travels in Central America, the Middle East, and Asia, to comment upon the shared humanity of different cultures throughout the world

You and Yours by Naomi Shihab Nye - the title comes the closing of a letter, "Best wishes for you and yours," and asks a crucial question: "Where does 'yours' end?"

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