

Spotlight on Language-Based Teaching

Written and Oral Expression

A diamante poem is a poem in the shape of a diamond. Rhyming is not necessary but each line requires a specific type of word like adjectives and –ing words. Diamante poems can be about one topic or about two opposite topics.

Try writing a diamante poem that compares and contrasts two opposite topics.



Your beginning topic

Two adjectives describing the beginning topic

Three words ending in –ing telling about the beginning topic

Four nouns –or- a short phrase link your topics

Three words ending in –ing telling about the ending topic

Two adjectives describing the ending topic

Antonym (opposite)
of your beginning topic

