

# POETRY DISCUSSION

## STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1) What comes to mind when you hear the word 'poetry'?
- 2) Do you like reading and listening to poetry?
- 3) How do you think poetry first started?
- 4) How is poetry different to other literary styles?
- 5) What role does poetry play in your culture?
- 6) What did you think of poetry when you studied it at school?
- 7) "Poetry is a mirror which makes beautiful that which is distorted." ~ Percy Shelley. What do you think of Shelley's quote?
- 8) Do you think you're good at writing poetry?
- 9) The poet Robert Frost said: "A poem begins in delight and ends in wisdom." Do you agree with him?
- 10) Do you have a favourite poem?

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## STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 1) What is poetry?
- 2) "Poetry is a deal of joy and pain and wonder, with a dash of the dictionary." ~ Kahlil Gibran. What do you think of this quote?
- 3) Is poetry important?
- 4) Do you think poetry is too much like hard work?
- 5) What can poetry teach us about life?
- 6) What do you think of the poetry from other countries and cultures?
- 7) Would you like someone to write you a poem?
- 8) "Genuine poetry can communicate before it is understood." ~ T. S. Eliot. What do you think of Eliot's words?
- 9) If you were to write a poem right now, what would your subject be?
- 10) Do you have a favourite poet?

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