

DIAMANTE POEM All About You!

Most writers respond well to diamante poems because the expectations are so clear.

NOUN ADJECTIVE, ADJECTIVE VERB-ing, VERB-ing, VERB-ing NOUN, NOUN, NOUN, NOUN VERB-ing, VERB-ing, VERB-ing ADJECTIVE, ADJECTIVE NOUN

Diamante poems also lend the perfect opportunity to teach or review nouns, adjectives and verbs.

Here are the steps I use to teach this lesson:

- 1. Explain to the students that they're going to write a diamante poem about themselves.
- 2. Show the format of a diamante poem (see the diamond above)
- 3. Take a minute to make sure your writers know that:

A noun is a person, place or thing.An adjective describes a noun.A verb is an action word. It tells what the noun does.

Now to write!

- 1. On the top line, write your first name.
- 2. On the second line, write 2 adjectives that describe you.
- 3. On the third line, write 3 –ing verbs that you like to do.
- 4. On the fourth line, write 4 nouns of things that you like.
- 5. On the fifth line, write 3 more –ing verbs that you like to do.
- 6. On the sixth line, write 2 more adjectives that describe you.
- 7. On the seventh line, write your last name.

When the child is finished writing, take a picture of him or her to hang next to their poem.

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