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THINKING ABOUT POETRY

Read or listen to a poem or several poems from at least eight different poets. Then choose four poems from different poets. Finally, fill in the chart by answering the following questions for each of your poems.

1. Write the poet's name on your chart.
2. Write the name of the poem you are viewing for each poet.

Questions:

1. What is the overall emotional feeling (mood) of this poem? What words did the author use to cause you to believe this?
2. What does this poem make you think about? Does it relate to any experience you have ever had? Explain.
3. What surprised you about this poem?
4. What two things do you like about this poem, or what two things do you dislike about this poem? Explain why you reacted this way.
5. Explain one unusual thing about the way this poem was written or read.