

# Poetry Workshop

## Revision Directions

The final copies of your poems need to show significant changes (revisions) from your rough drafts. Follow the directions below for revising your rough drafts.

1. Exchange one of your rough drafts with another person. Put your name on their rough draft at the bottom.
2. With a red pen, circle all of the weak, overused, boring words. Write suggestions to replace them to the side. Pay attention to the rhyming words.
3. Refer to the directions for the specific poem you are revising. Make sure the rough draft meets all of the requirements (consistent rhyme scheme, figurative language, etc.).
4. Underline words you feel are spelled incorrectly. Write the correct spelling above it if you know it.
5. Make sure all proper nouns are capitalized. Circle the letters that should be capitalized.
6. Make sure all stanzas are separated and punctuation is included correctly.
7. Return the rough draft to its owner and continue steps 1-6 until all of your rough drafts have been revised.