

Illustration of a Poem



Essential Question: How do artists use imagery to enhance a poem?

Duration:

2-3 20-minute sessions

Art History/Inspiration:

William Blake's illustrated poems

Materials:

- Drawing paper
- Pencil
- Colored pencils
- Markers

Lesson:

Using the British romantic writer and artist William Blake (28 November 1757 – 12 August 1827) as inspiration, write and illustrate a poem. What style font do you want to use with your imagery? How will the poem interact with the illustration? Notice how Blake frames his poems with the illustrations. Sketch the poem and the illustration out in pencil first before adding colors with the mediums of your choice.