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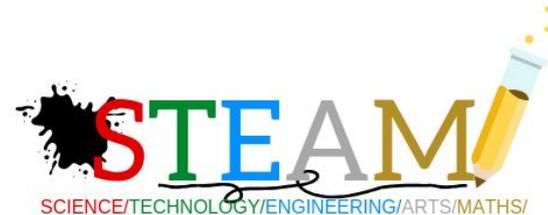
Poetry By Heart 2021

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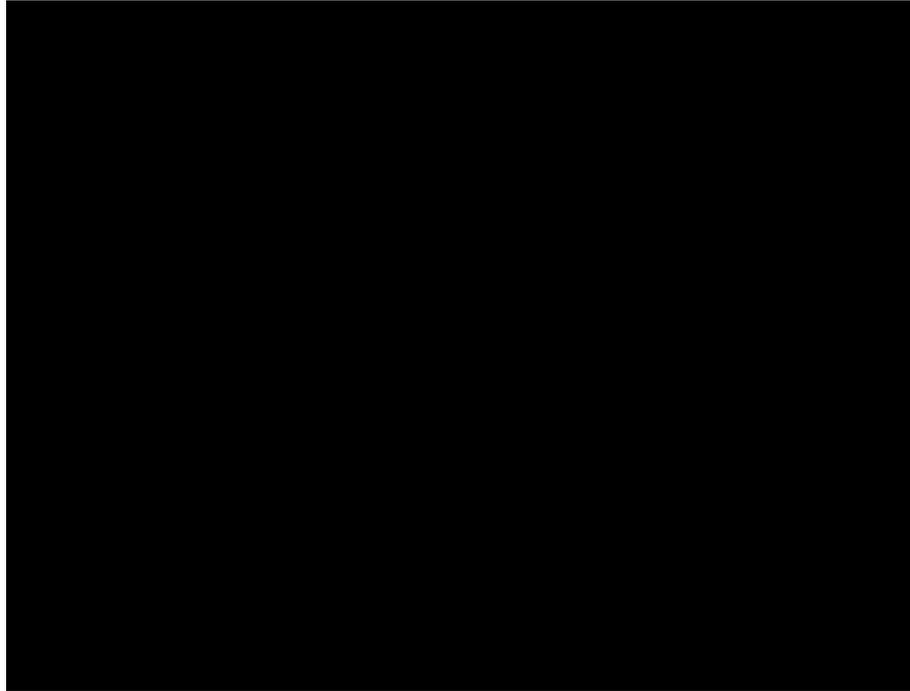
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Watch the video for a run through of how this works



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Poetry By Heart: What is it?

- It's a national competition where individuals choose, learn and recite two poems.
- It's all about choosing two poems you love from the Poetry By Heart website.
- One is pre-1914 and one is post-1914.
- There will be a school competition during the w/c 22nd March (via Google Meet)
- Last year we had two regional runners up!
- It's as simple as that. Follow the steps here to get involved!

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How can I take part?



Explore Our Poetry Showcases



- Visit the **Poetry By Heart** website and explore the poems on the digital anthologies
- Choose **2 poems** that you like for **CLASSIC** – one pre-1914 and one post-1914
- Choose **1 poem** you like for **CELEBRATION**



How can I take part?

- Learn your poems by heart
- Practice reciting them
- Recite your poems in our school/college contest

Freya and Yusuf - 2020 - Poetry Celebration - Dulce Et Decorum Est (Wilfred Owen)



Grace - 2020 - The Complaints of The Poor (Robert Southey)



Step 1: Choose a poem

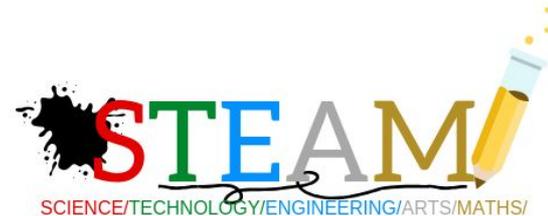
- We are doing the 'Classic Competition'. This involves you choosing two poems from the timeline on the Poetry By Heart website.
- For KS3 see here: <https://www.poetrybyheart.org.uk/ks3-timeline/>
- For KS4 see here: <https://www.poetrybyheart.org.uk/anthology/>

You can use 'search' function to filter poems by your own chosen criteria.

The timeline is very interactive and an easy way to search for a poet, poem, or by the time period.



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Step 2: Learn your poem by heart

- The Learning Zone on the PBH website is really helpful and has hints and tips about how to use the timeline and how to learn your poem by heart. Find the info for KS3 here:

<https://www.poetrybyheart.org.uk/learningzone/choose-a-poem-11/>

- Find hints and tips for KS4 here:

<https://www.poetrybyheart.org.uk/learningzone/choose-a-poem-14/>

- For examples of KS3 performances see here:

<https://www.poetrybyheart.org.uk/performancegallery/11-plus/>

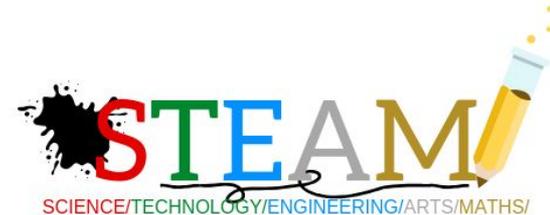
- For examples of KS4 performances see

here:<https://www.poetrybyheart.org.uk/performancegallery/14-plus/>

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Step 2: Learn your poem by heart

Ms Davarian's tips for learning your poem by heart

1. Read the poem several times - in your head and aloud.
2. Check the meaning of any unfamiliar vocabulary. You can't bring meaning and expression to the poem if you don't understand it!
3. Ask yourself what you think the story of the poem is? Who is speaking? What are the key themes and ideas?
4. Look out for any rhythm or rhyme in the poem. Look out for key lines.
5. Start to read your poem with all of these things in mind.

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Step 3: Perform it out loud

Practise your performance as many times as possible. Ask people at home for feedback on your recital.

Come along on a Monday from 11.10-11.25 for some advice and feedback (starting after half term on Monday 22nd Feb).

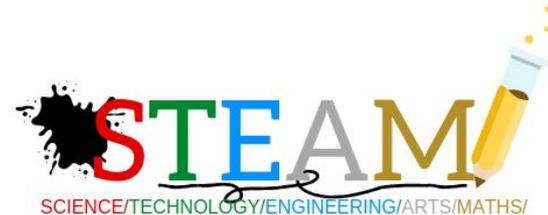
There will be a virtual school competition during w/c 22nd March to decide the winners of each age group.

Winners submit recorded entries to Poetry By Heart for the national competition.

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How is the competition judged?

- **Voice** – 1-7 points – *natural accent, volume, rhythm, speed and stress contribute to overall effect*
- **Understanding** - 1-7 points – *clearly and powerfully communicate the meaning of the poem to the audience*
- **Presentation** – 1-7 points – *overall effect of the recitation – including making eye contact, appearing confident and using appropriate body language*
- **Accuracy** – 4 points – *a word perfect recitation required for full marks*

