

## OBSERVATIONS ABOUT POETRY SHEET

- “A poem begins in delight and ends in wisdom.” – Robert Frost
- “...the best words in the best order.” – Samuel Taylor Coleridge
- “Poetry is the most direct and simple means of expressing oneself in word.” – Northrup Frye
- “Poetry is the universal language...” – William Hazlitt
- “Poetry is like making a joke. If you get one word wrong at the end of a joke, you've lost the whole thing.” – William Stanley Merwin
- “Poetry is as precise a thing as geometry.” – Gustave Flaubert
- “Poetry is above all a concentration of the power of language, which is the power of our ultimate relationship to everything in the universe.” – Adrienne Rich
- “Poetry is the doorway to the soul.” – Floria
- “Poetry is the silent voice that is heard everywhere inside of us...” – Unknown
- “Words written in verse may speak volumes when those spoken do not.” – Caressia Combs
- “Poetry is either something that lives like fire inside you—like music to the musician or Marxism to the Communist—or else it is nothing...” – F. Scott Fitzgerald
- “Poetry...is...a speaking picture, with this end: to teach and delight.” – Sir Philip Sydney
- “If I read a book and it makes my whole body so cold no fire can ever warm me, I know it is poetry. If I feel physically as if the top of my head were taken off, I know this is poetry. These are the only ways I know it. Is there any other way?” – Emily Dickinson
- “Poetry is important. No less than science, it seeks a hold upon reality, and the closeness of its approach is the test of its success.” – Babette Deutsch
- “Poetry is emotion put into measure. The emotion must come by nature, but the measure can be acquired by art.” – Thomas Hardy