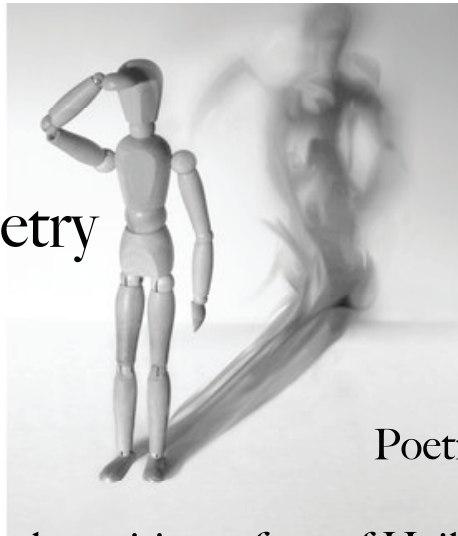


Senryu poetry



Poetry about Human Nature

You are going to be writing a *form* of Haiku called Senryu. A Haiku is typically about nature, whereas a Senryu is about HUMAN NATURE. Think about your character and the ways you described him/her on the Inside and Outside assignment. Write between a 3 and 5 stanza Senryu to describe your character's traits and the evidence from the story to prove it. Be sure to include the character trait as part of each stanza.

A Senryu is just like a Haiku in that it is 3 lines of 5, 7, and 5 syllables. Think about writing a poem that consists of between 3 and 7 Senryus. Here's an example of a one stanza Senryu:

Curiosity
She sees objects in the house
Feeling for fragments

Can you tell who this Senryu is about? Correct! It's about Littlest from *Gossamer* by *Lois Lowry*.

Write your poem and bring it to Lit. Group next Wednesday! You may have to write several drafts before you are satisfied with your poem!