

Reflecting on Learning Cycle #2

This has been an awesome learning cycle because not only have I learnt how to write poetry but I have learned to enjoy it and see the true art of it. How the words are placed and how they make you feel is what makes poetry so amazing, every person can have a different perspective on the same poem. When writing poetry there is no give format that needs to be met to consider it a poetic piece, this is because however the writer feels the piece should be is how they get to make it.

Words in poetry are very important because choosing the proper word can make or break the verse. Words are what you get to play with the most because you choose them, they are whatever you want. Some poets even make up their own words for the poems, although the words are a “snowball idea” of the original word the new word will fit better and help the poem flow to the maximum amount. Also, words that would fit but not flow are the ability to change those with a word that you would never think of that means the same but flows the best.

I have learned that everyone will take a different point of view and message from the same poem. This is because everyone has had different experiences in their lives and those experiences are what makes them see things differently. Also, the way in which the poem is said (if it is a spoken word poem) will make people feel differently, if the poet uses different pitch in their voice and increases their overall positivity of their voice, the audience will have a better reaction and experience with the poem and just feel happy.

The main thing that I have taken away from this unit is that poetry is whatever you want it to be because you are the poet, it is your work, and no one is telling you what you need to do, that's why this has been my favourite unit lus far because I find a large amount of enjoyment when there is something that I can truly take on and make my own. Being able to take a poem wherever i want and not feel like i'm stepping outside of the rubric or going against the teachers orders is so nice, it is true freedom when it comes to writing.

I have enjoyed this unit very much and cannot wait for what is left to come because as the semester shortens and shortens and the reality of university gets closer and closer I find myself wanting to keep writing after the semesters over. Before taking this class I never really thought about writing and expressing myself in this way but it is so amazing, even though only a handful of people will ever read it, its just so nice. Quite frankly, I wouldn't care if anybody read it.