



Book Report #3 - Narrative Poem

Guidelines for Writing Narrative Poem Summarizing Self-Selected Book

1. Write at least five stanzas of about four lines each
2. Model any narrative poem, such as "Lord Randal" or "Barbara Allen"
3. Follow this outline as best you can
 - Stanza 1** - Introduction of main character(s) and setting
 - Stanza 2** - Conflict and triggering action
 - Stanza 3** - Rising Action to Climax
 - Stanza 4** - Falling Action
 - Stanza 5** - Resolution/Conclusion
4. If you wish, use title of book as title of poem; if not, devise a title that is appropriate
5. For academic honesty, acknowledging what you borrowed, at the end of your narrative poem, write

Narrative poem is based on (title, author, copyright date, publisher)

Grading elements

1. Adheres to structural guide lines listed above
2. Has identifiable rhythm pattern
3. Has identifiable rhyme scheme
4. Tells the plot of book in interesting way
5. Is edited for mechanics (spelling, punctuation, capitalization)
6. Looks neat on the page

