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| **Poem Writing Scoring Guide** | | | | | |
| **Descriptor**  **Points** | **Effective**  **10-9** | **Adequate**  **8-7** | **Somewhat**  **6-4** | **Little or None**  **3-0** |  |
| **Ideas in Poem** | This poem follows correct format. Each line/stanza speaks to a different part of expresses some aspect of the author’s point of view on the topic. | This poem follows correct format. Most lines provide insight into to a different part of the author’s point of view though some ideas are repeated. | This poem follows correct format. Each line provides some insight into the author’s point of view, though many ideas are repeated. | This poem follows correct format. Most lines discuss the same ideas. Poem offers very little insight into the author’s point of view. | \_\_\_\_\_ |
| **Word Choice** | The writer uses figurative language to create vivid mental images in all lines. Every line causes reader to ponder ideas presented. | The writer uses figurative language to create mostly vivid mental images in most lines. Some lines are insightful whereas others are ordinary. | The writer attempts to use figurative language to create mental images in some lines. Most lines are ordinary. | The writer does not use figurative language to create mental images in lines. Poem is unimaginative reciting of the original poem. | \_\_\_\_\_ |
| **Examples and Details** | The writer uses appropriate, vivid details and examples in this poem. | The writer uses appropriate detail in this poem. | Some of this poem is too general and does not have enough detail. | There is very little detail in this poem. | \_\_\_\_\_ |
| **Conventions** | The writer is careful to check this poem for accuracy in spelling, capitalization, grammar, and punctuation, so there are no mistakes. | The writer has checked this poem for accuracy in spelling, capitalization, grammar, and punctuation, there are no mistakes that would confuse people while they are reading. | The writer has checked this poem for accuracy in spelling, capitalization, grammar, and punctuation, but sometimes there are mistakes that confuse people while they are reading. | The writer has not checked this poem for accuracy in spelling, capitalization, grammar, and punctuation, and there are several mistakes that confuse people while they are reading. | \_\_\_\_\_ |
| **Total** |  |  |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_ |