

# English summer task:

## What do we expect?

You to choose a poem that you are interested in, a poem that reflects a part of your personality or personal beliefs, a poem that makes you laugh or a poem that makes you cry. We don't mind which poem you choose – there is only **one** rule: the poem **must not** feature on the current GCSE specifications.

**You are to make a 3-5 minute (maximum) presentation of 3 PowerPoint slides ready to present to the class during the first lessons back after the summer break.**

## What do we want to see in the presentation?

We want to see you address the following areas in your presentation:

- Why have you selected the poem- carefully consider your: ideas, thoughts, feelings, opinions?
- Has this poem taught you something? Does it have a message that resonates with you?
- Which parts of the poem interest you most and why?
- Does the poet employ any particular techniques which you think are engaging?
- Do you know anything about the collection that the poem is from?
- Is there an interesting story surrounding the publication of the poem?
- What do you know about the poet that can help inform a reading of the poem?
- Would anyone read this in a completely different way to you? How might they?
- Where does this poem belong in the literary canon?
- Is the poem typical of a particular style or movement?

Be creative – you do not have to fill three slides with these questions and your answers!

Make your slides engaging and do not simply read from the board – this does not engage your audience.