

POETRY ANTHOLOGY

It is a collection of songs and poems for a classroom. It is a form of a book or an album. It is basically expandable and we need to keep creating and adding songs/poems to it, it is an ongoing process. The book and the material must be accessible by children. It is written on pages with beautiful handwriting and with a simple illustration that reflects the song. Table of contents and page number is a must.

It should have section dividers

- a) Poems
- b) Songs
- c) Finger plays
- d) Singing games

It's important to have one or two samples from each category, it needs to be durable and we should make sure that it suits a mixed age group (2 ½ - 6years). It can have variety of categories like animals, culture, flowers, weather, food etc. There is no need for moral lessons, and it cannot be only based on reality, Imagination is very important too.

The album needs to be handwritten because it will inspire children to write, sometimes we can even mention the name of the author and the poet. That will inspire the children to write more. Children love pictures so the illustrations must be clear and big and should reflect the particular poem and song. It should be drawn with a pencil. It should be kept in a fixed place, and all children should be allowed to read it.