11 English – Class 10

"Every now and then, I dress my thoughts in the clothing of a poem."

Because poetry can be beautiful.

Because it can, somehow, bypass an analytic brain and interface directly with the heart.

Because it encourages you to look at things through another, often nonliteral, lens, and this is crucial.

The more you learn to look at one thing and see another, the less capable you are of intellectual or ethical or moral rigidity.
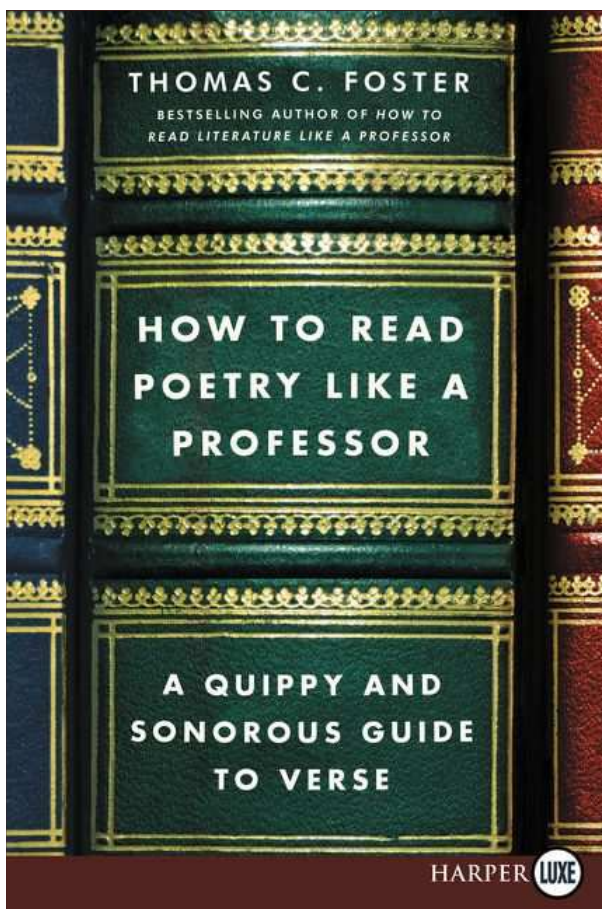
that it will crystallize the familiar and the intimate and make it universal. That it will inspire, move and delight us. That it will sound true even if we don't really understand it.

So when we actually encounter a poet or a poem, it's bound to be a bit of a letdown.

He argues the limitations of language mean poems can never live up to the ideals we associate with poetry.

Because we're taught from an early age that poetry is an expression of our innermost emotions and identities, when we don't understand a poem, it feels like we don't understand something about the human experience — and that makes us angry, says Lerner.

"One of the reasons why poetry as a word can produce contempt, anxiety, hatred, is because we feel uneasy about not 'getting' poetry," he

What makes a poem... a poem?

youtube.com/watch?v=JwhouCNq-Fc

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HOW TO READ POETRY LIKE A PROFESSOR

A QUIPPY AND SONOROUS GUIDE TO VERSE

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Rules

1. Read the words.

2. Read ALL the words.

3. Read sentences.

4. Ignore the lines on first reading.

5. Obey all the punctuation, including its absence.

6. Read the poem aloud.

7. Read it again.

TWELFTH EDITION

AN INTRODUCTION TO
POETRY

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- Allegory
- Allusion
- Antithesis
- Archetype
- Conceit
- Connotation
- Contrast
- Diction
- Hyperbole
- Image
- Imagery
- Irony
- Metaphor
- Metonymy
- Motif
- Myth
- Parable
- Paradox
- Parody
- Persona
- Personification
- Pun
- Sarcasm
- Soliloquy
- Simile
- Subject
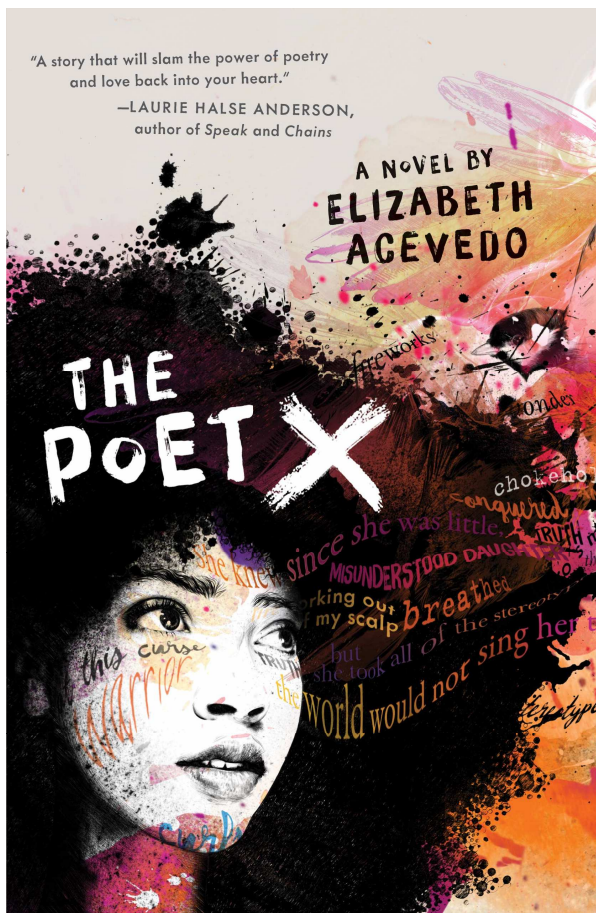- Symbol
- Synecdoche
- Theme
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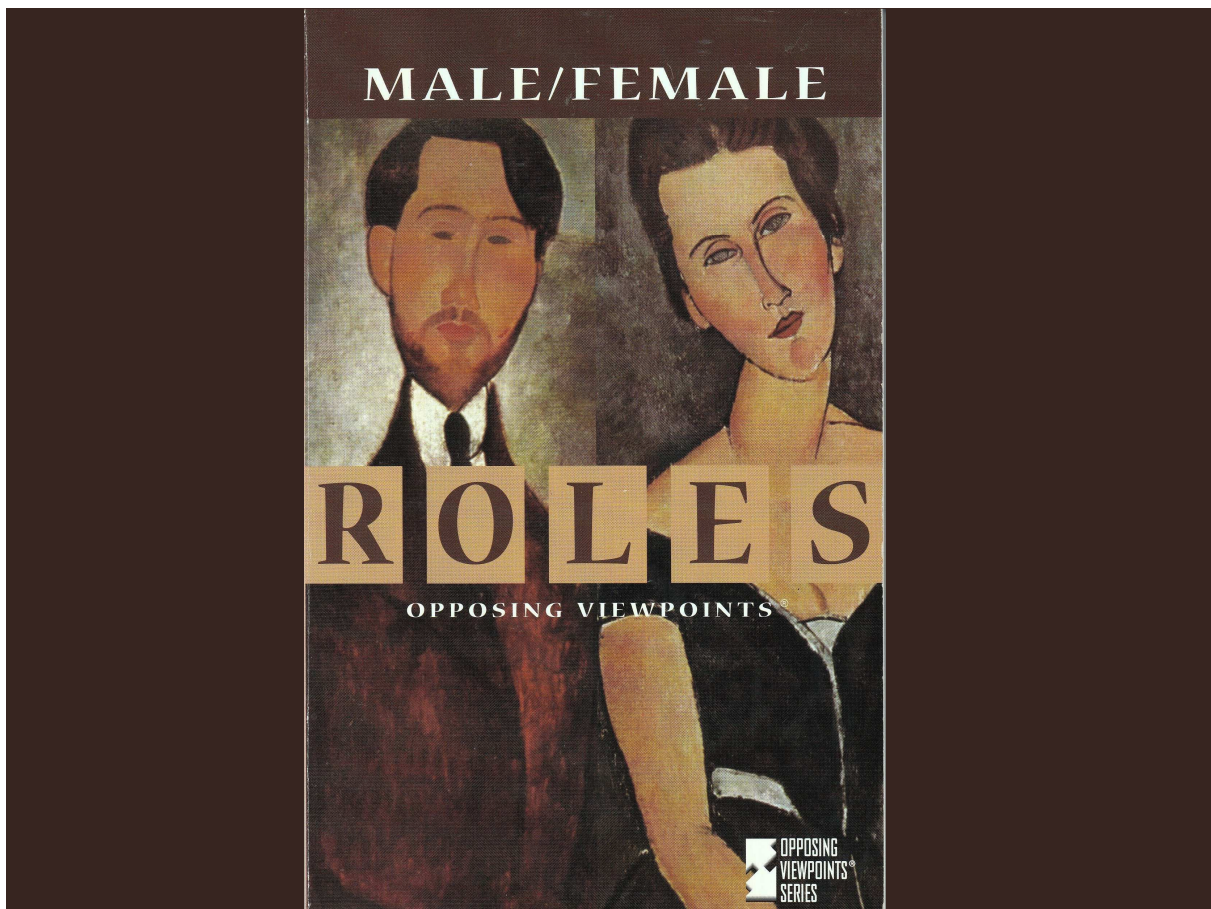

- Alliteration
- Assonance
- Consonance
- Couplet
- End Rhyme
- Internal Rhyme
- Onomatopoeia
- Parallelism
- Quatrain
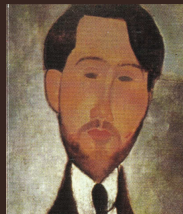- Refrain
- Rhyme Scheme
- Stanza
- Verse

"My parents probably wanted a girl who would sit in the pews wearing pretty florals and a soft smile."
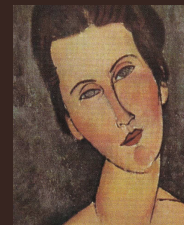
"Essentialists"

- Biological differences make gender roles inevitable

- Gender behavior is coded in the brain and in the body's chemistry

- Hormones affect genders differently

- Sex causes dissimilar attitudes toward marriage and procreation

- Biological differences also influence parenting

"Social Constructionists"

- Society shapes gender

- Children are born into societies that have preexisting gender preferences and expectations

- Children simply fulfill the biological image with which they identify

- Men and women behave differently because of social conditioning that is propagated by behaviors prevalent in society and reinforced by the media, family, and peers

- Bombarded with cultural messages

NBC NEWS

Raising 'Theybites': Letting Kids Choose Their Gender: youtube.com/watch?v=AfzL8BrNSLQ

PARENTS AND GENDER

youtube.com/watch?v=swSy6pdAS-0

The Atlantic

"The Housewife" by Emily Jane Bronte

Here is the House to hold me — cradle of all the race;
Here is my lord and my love, here are my children dear —
Here is the House enclosing, the dear-loved dwelling place;
Why should I ever weary for aught that I find not here?

Here for the hours of the day and the hours of the night;
Bound with the bands of Duty, rivetted tight;
Duty older than Adam — Duty that saw
Acceptance utter and hopeless in the eyes of the serving squaw.

Food and the serving of food — that is my daylong care;
What and when we shall eat, what and how we shall wear;
Soiling and cleaning of things — that is my task in the main —
Soil them and clean them and soil them — soil them and clean them again.

To work at my trade by the dozen and never a trade to know;
To plan like a Chinese puzzle — fitting and changing so;
To think of a thousand details, each in a thousand ways;
For my own immediate people and a possible love and praise.

My mind is trodden in circles, tiresome, narrow and hard,
Useful, commonplace, private — simply a small back-yard;
And I the Mother of Nations! — Blind their struggle and vain! —
I cover the earth with my children — each with a housewife's brain.