

## READ SOME AWESOME POETRY / EXAMPLES

I think that the poem "Secrets" by Naomi Ayala is about how secrets can haunt you and make you think about them. I think this is because in the poem it says, "You waited away the years for all the if's that turned loose doorknobs in the middle of the night to burst into your hiding." This poem made me feel thoughtful because it made me think of poems as a creature and not really as a grouping of words. I think that if others were to read this, they would think the poem means the same as what I think it means because the author uses detail to truly make you think this. The poet describes the secrets as creatures by using phrases like "I watched you sleep under the broken moonlight of the trees, and crawled under your mattress and shook the bed at night." I like the way she describes the secrets because they make you wonder what they mean. In this poem I noticed that the author uses personification and metaphors to describe objects.

The poem that really spoke to me was "Mother to Son" by Langston Hughes. It was the truth about the struggle people actually go through. Nobody ever in life hasn't had a single problem, but some people's problems are much bigger than others. This poem tells the story of a strong mother passing down her strength and teaching her child to hold on. I can relate to this because my mother didn't have it easy and she tries to tell us each day to be grateful, that we have a great life. That is why I like that poem.

