

# Round 1 - Ancient Poetry

- 1 - What is the oldest epic poem?
- 2 - Who wrote the Aeneid?
- 3 - The Iliad tells the story of which ancient war?
- 4 - Who were the Greek goddesses of poetry?
- 5 - In the Odyssey, who is Odysseus' wife?
- 6 - Which Roman wrote the Satires?
- 7 - What is the oldest collection of Chinese poetry?
- 8 - What is the longest surviving Old English poem?
- 9 - Who was the most famous female ancient Greek poet?
- 10 - Who wrote the Metamorphoses?

# Round 1 - Answers

- 1 - The Epic of Gilgamesh
- 2 - Virgil
- 3 - The Trojan War
- 4 - The Muses
- 5 - Penelope
- 6 - Juvenal
- 7 - Shijing
- 8 - Beowulf
- 9 - Sappho
- 10 - Ovid

## Round 2 - British Poetry

- 1 - Which Irish poet wrote the Ballad of Reading Gaol?
- 2 - Which English playwright is also famous for his sonnets?
- 3 - Whose poem Auld Lang Syne is often sung on New Year's Eve?
- 4 - Who wrote Dulce et Decorum Est?
- 5 - Who wrote Paradise Lost?
- 6 - Whose poem contains the line "Beauty is truth, truth beauty"?
- 7 - The Tam o Shanter bonnet is named after a poem - **True or False?**
- 8 - Who wrote the Charge of the Light Brigade?
- 9 - Which church contains Poets' Corner?
- 10 - Who wrote the Canterbury Tales?

## Round 2 - Answers

- 1 - Oscar Wilde
- 2 - Shakespeare
- 3 - Robert Burns
- 4 - Wilfred Owen
- 5 - John Milton
- 6 - John Keats
- 7 - True
- 8 - Alfred Tennyson
- 9 - Westminster Abbey
- 10 - Geoffrey Chaucer



## Round 3 - American Poetry

- 1 - Who wrote The Raven?
- 2 - Which poet famously uses a lot of dashes?
- 3 - Leaves of Grass is a poetry collection by which writer?
- 4 - Who wrote Walden?
- 5 - Whose poetry often does not use capital letters?
- 6 - Who wrote The Weary Blues?
- 7 - Which Allen Ginsberg poem caused an obscenity trial?
- 8 - Which poet also wrote the novel On the Road?
- 9 - Who wrote I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings?
- 10 - Which poet spoke at President Biden's inauguration?

## Round 3 - Answers

- 1 - Edgar Allen Poe
- 2 - Emily Dickinson
- 3 - Walt Whitman
- 4 - Henry David Thoreau
- 5 - e.e. cummings
- 6 - Langston Hughes
- 7 - Howl
- 8 - Jack Kerouac
- 9 - Maya Angelou
- 10 - Amanda Gorman



## Round 4 - Poetic Technique

- 1 - How many lines are in a sonnet?
- 2 - How many lines are in a limerick?
- 3 - How many lines is a haiku in English?
- 4 - What is the term for words that imitate sounds?
- 5 - What's the name for a poem that doesn't rhyme?
- 6 - Metre is how a poem rhymes - **True or False?**
- 7 - What is the poetic term for repeating similar vowel sounds?
- 8 - An almanac is a form of poetry - **True or False?**
- 9 - What is the term for a stanza of exactly four lines?
- 10 - The octave is the first part of many sonnets - **True or False?**

## Round 4 - Answers

- 1 - 14
- 2 - 5
- 3 - 3
- 4 - Onomatopoeia
- 5 - Blank verse
- 6 - False
- 7 - Assonance
- 8 - False
- 9 - Quatrain
- 10 - True

## Round 5 - World Poetry

- 1 - Which German poet wrote Faust?
- 2 - Where did the haiku originate as a form?
- 3 - Which Italian poet wrote about a journey through Hell?
- 4 - Which French poet wrote a novel inspiring a popular musical?
- 5 - Poet Pushkin died in a duel - **True or False?**
- 6 - Which Spanish poet also wrote the plays Blood Wedding and Yerma?
- 7 - What Arabic form, meaning ode, often maintains a single meter and rhyme throughout?
- 8 - Which Chinese poet is one of the Three Wonders?
- 9 - Which Mexican poet won the 1990 Nobel Prize for literature?
- 10 - Which Turkish poet wrote the famous anti-war poem The Girl Child?

## Round 5 - Answers

- 1 - Goethe
- 2 - Japan
- 3 - Dante
- 4 - Victor Hugo
- 5 - True
- 6 - Lorca
- 7 - Qasidah
- 8 - Li Bai
- 9 - Octavio Paz
- 10 - Nâzım Hikmet Ran

