

The Diary of Anne Frank: Poetry Assignment

You will write an I AM poem as if you are Anne Frank or another character from the play. As you write it, it is as if your character is the one writing the poem. You should avoid the obvious and the ordinary and really think about characteristics of the characters that are unique or distinctive to them. Once you have an opening line, you're ready to take off. Here is a line-by-line guide you can follow.

The poem should be mounted on poster board (see me) with images that coordinate with the poem. **Please place your name on the reverse side.**

I AM (*Your Character's Name*) (*This is the title of the poem*)

I am (two special characteristics). (This is the first line of the poem)

I wonder (something the character is actually curious about)

I hear (an imaginary sound)

I see (an imaginary sight).

I want (an actual desire).

I am (the first line of the poem repeated).

I pretend (something your character actually pretends to do).

I feel (a feeling about something imaginary).

I touch (an imaginary touch).

I worry (something that really bothers your character).

I cry (something that makes your character very sad).

I am (the first line of the poem repeated).

I understand (something your character knows is true).

I say (something your character believes in).

I dream (something your character actually dreams about).

I try (something your character really makes an effort about).

I hope (something your character actually hopes for).

I am (the first line of the poem repeated).

--Your Name (*The character who you are writing about.*)

Your name should be on the back side of your poster.