

# Opening Poetry

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*"For women, poetry is not a luxury." Audre Lorde*

## **Cinquain**

a 22-syllable poem consisting of five, unrhymed lines

Line 1: 2 syllables

Line 2: 4 syllables

Line 3: 6 syllables

Line 4: 8 syllables

Line 5: 2 syllables

Choose one or two of the following themes as your inspiration:

telling my story      risk-taking in the classroom      brave space  
body matters      ask the other question      work-in-progress  
speaking for/speaking with