



Shape Poem

Grade Level: **Content Area:** **Multiple**

Intelligences:

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CD-ROM Templates:

- 19shapepoem

Software:

Microsoft PowerPoint

Overview:

In this activity, students will use the Word Art features to create a shape poem.

ISTE Standards:

- Students develop positive attitudes toward technology uses that support lifelong learning, collaboration, personal pursuits, and productivity.
- Students use technology tools to enhance learning, increase productivity, and promote creativity.

The Teacher's Role:

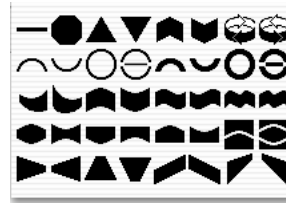
1. The teacher will show examples of shape poems.
2. The teachers will provide the topic / parameters for the activity.
3. The teacher will demonstrate how to create a word art shape.
4. The teacher will show how to resize, move, and edit the word art shape.



Student Instructions:

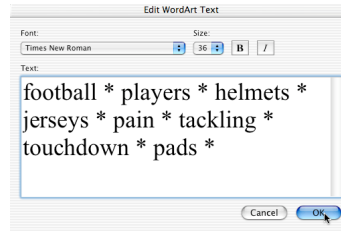
Getting Started:

1. Look at the options for shapes in Word Art.
2. Think of a poem that relates to one of the shapes.



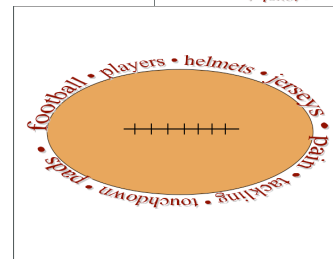
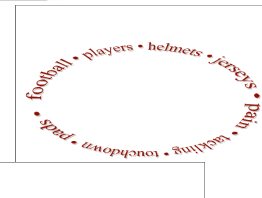
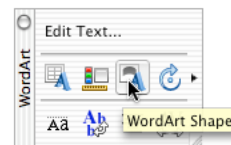
Creating the Word Art Shape:

1. Create a new blank PowerPoint slide.
2. Click to select the Word Art tool in the drawing toolbar, *or* pull down the Insert menu to Picture and over to Word Art.
3. Choose the desired word art style.
(Don't worry about the shape. You can change it later!)
4. Enter your poem.
5. Click and drag the center of the word art to move it. Click and drag a corner handle point to resize it. Click and drag the yellow diamond to reconfigure the shape.
Note -- you may need to drag your word art to one side so that you can find a corner handle-point.



Editing the Word Art Shape:

1. Use the options in the Word Art toolbar to change the shape, colors, and spacing of your Word Art poem.
Note - If you don't see the Word Art toolbar, pull down the View menu to Toolbars and pull over to select it.
2. Double-click your Word Art shape (or use the "Edit Text" option in the toolbar) to edit the text.
Note - Try putting some "returns" between lines of the poem to see what effect you get.

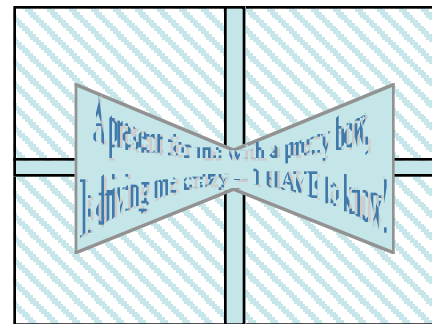


Adding Details:

1. Use the line, oval, freehand, and other drawing tools to add details to your poem.
3. Use the shadow and 3-D options in the Drawing toolbar to add even more impact!



*This is my cat, chasing his tail.
Will he catch it, or will he fail?*



*A present for me with a pretty bow,
Is driving me crazy. I HAVE to know!*