

## 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Memory Poems

6<sup>th</sup> grade: The Rose That Grew From Concrete

7<sup>th</sup> grade: Fire and Ice by Robert Frost

8<sup>th</sup> Trees by Joyce Kilmer

### The Rose That Grew From Concrete

By Tupac Shakur

Did you hear about the rose that grew  
from a crack in the concrete?  
Proving nature's law is wrong it  
learned to walk with out having feet.  
Funny it seems, but by keeping its dreams,  
it learned to breathe fresh air.  
Long live the rose that grew from  
concrete  
when no one else ever cared.

### **Fire and Ice**

BY ROBERT FROST

Some say the world will end in fire,  
Some say in ice.  
From what I've tasted of desire  
I hold with those who favor fire.  
But if it had to perish twice,  
I think I know enough of hate  
To say that for destruction ice  
Is also great  
And would suffice.

### **Trees**

BY JOYCE KILMER

I think that I shall never see  
A poem lovely as a tree.

A tree whose hungry mouth is prest  
Against the earth's sweet flowing breast;

A tree that looks at God all day,  
And lifts her leafy arms to pray;

A tree that may in Summer wear  
A nest of robins in her hair;

Upon whose bosom snow has lain;  
Who intimately lives with rain.

Poems are made by fools like me,  
But only God can make a tree.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter NOVEL STUDY

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: **Rules** by Carolyn Lord

7<sup>th</sup> Grade: **Ugly** by Robert Hoge

8<sup>th</sup> Grade: **Wonder** by R.J Palacio

## Vocabulary: All Grades

### **W.O.W.**

1. Alliance (n.) loyalty or devotion to a person, group, or place.
2. Boisterous (adj.) rowdy, cheerfully active, energetic, rambunctious, clamorous, noisy, spirited

### **Reading Vocabulary**

3. Cacophony

4. Robust
5. Brain Cramp
6. Prior knowledge
7. Schema
8. Vocabulary
9. Reading comprehension
10. Process
11. Denotation
12. Connotation
13. Explicit
14. Inference
15. Analysis
16. Synthesis

### Assignments (to Date)

1. Attach syllabus and Nelson Results to front cover of journal
2. I will never.... (8<sup>th</sup> grade)
3. Bio Poem (6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade)
4. Assigned poem for the quarter
5. Revisit the poem from last year (Alphabet Aerobics, Can't)
6. Illustration of the assigned poem
7. Reading Notes

### **8. Study for Test on Tuesday and Wednesday (Sept 6 and 7)**

### Reminders:

1. Have you submitted your syllabus receipts
2. Have you submitted your Library form
3. Have you had your Nelson Results signed and is it attached to your journal behind the syllabus
4. Have you submitted your requested supply of paper

### Other Reminders.....

#### 1. 8<sup>th</sup> Graders...

Book order for Wonder is due on Tues and Wed if you want your book ordered through Scholastic Books for \$14.00 (no shipping). other wise you will have to purchase it yourself by September 21, 2017

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