

January - Week 2

Snow Poems (a.k.a. MinneSNOWta Poems)

In Minnesota, snow is part of our heritage, from silent, gently falling flakes to blustery blizzards. While the month of January averages 11 inches of snow, single day snowfall records of 17 inches have been recorded. This week go outdoors to observe snow either during a snowfall or snow that is already blanketing the ground. As you prepare to head outside, record the temperature and observe what the sky looks like. Don your winter gear, and grab your gloves and a magnifier to explore the winter wonder.

What words describe the snow? What do you hear as you walk? Can you feel the wind? Where does snow collect? Where is it deepest? Can you collect snowflakes or pellets on your glove to examine? Sketch what you see. What surprises you about the snow?

Now that you have recorded some snow data, use your words to create a free-form poem or use one of the formats below.

Haiku
 Title
 5 Syllables
 7 Syllables
 5 Syllables

Noun Verse
 Noun
 2 Adjectives
 2 Words ending in "ing"
 Synonym

Cinquain
 Title
 Description of Title
 Action
 Feeling
 Synonym or Rename



A light snow falling on Jeffers Pond.