Glossary for Passionate Poetry

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alliteration	repetition of the first sound in a phrase
annotation	note commenting on or explaining a feature or a particular element of a text
anthology	collection of poems
appropriation	taking an object or text from one context and using it in another context. The process can offer new insights into the original text. It may serve to emphasise contextual differences. You will see fairy stories as plots in films and some famous pictures such as the Mona Lisa used in advertisements
assonance	repetition of vowel sounds (a,e,i,o,u)
analyse	to break down a text to identify its parts and to explore the relationship between the parts; to convey the meaning
attitude	approach or position on a certain topic
ballad	simple narrative poem or song that tells a story
composing	the process that occurs when students write, speak or produce visual texts
connotations	secondary or implied meanings or connections
context	the personal, cultural, social and historical setting or background in which a text is composed and responded to
culture	the ways of living developed and passed on generation after generation by a group of people who share the same beliefs, values, knowledge and customs
elegy	lyrical poem with a melancholy mood, often lamenting the death of a close person or someone famous
enjambment	the running on of the thought from one line to the next
features	special language, poetic effects or images
figurative	special effects and images created by words
free verse	lines of poetry which do not rhyme
genre	group of texts that are recognised as similar because of their subject matter, form or language features such as reports, science fiction, thrillers
iambic foot	basic metrical foot in English poetry that has an unstressed syllable followed by a stressed one
iambic pentameter	line with five iambic feet
image	mental picture or representation
imaginative text	writing which relies on mental images
imagery	concrete descriptions which appeal to the senses so that you can see or sense what is being written about
information text	writing which gives facts
metaphor	figure of speech in which something is described as something else
metre	arrangement of words in a regular pattern of rhythmic lines and verses

monologue	prolonged speech or discourse by one speaker
mood	feelings expressed in the poem to suit the meaning
mortality	condition of being mortal or subject to death
narrative	story of events or experiences
ode	poem which captures a strong feeling or mood, often in praise of something or someone
onomatopoeia	formation of a word by imitating the sound linked with the word
parody	send-up or humorous version of a text which makes fun of a situation, often using the same format and style of the original
performance	musical, dramatic or other entertainment such as a poetry reading
personification	description of non-living things as if they are alive in the same way as people or animals
perspective	point of view from which you see something
point of view	point or position from which composers, responders or characters see something or interpret events
propaganda	spread of ideas or information with the aim of injuring or helping an institution, a cause or a person
repetition	use of words or sounds more than once for effect
representing	communicating meaning from visual texts such as images or pictures, for example, diagrams, graphs, photographs, drawings, PowerPoint presentations or webpages
responding	process of reading, listening to, or viewing texts that produces some understanding or connection with them.
rhyme	use of the same sounds within or at the ends of lines
rhythm	repeated sounds in poems with a constant beat
simile	comparison using 'like' or 'as'
soliloquy	utterance or speech by one who is talking to himself/herself, regardless of who else is around
sonnet	rhyming poem with 14 lines using iambic pentameter
stanza	group of lines of verse arranged and repeated in fixed form for a poem
subvert	compose or respond to a text in ways that are different from the widely accepted reading or different from the conventional genre
tone	quality of a sound to express meaning
value	(noun) importance, worth or merit of something: for example, one value of studying English is that you learn to be a better communicator
value	(verb) process of determining something has a certain value, importance or usefulness: for example, valuing writing poetry because it is an important way to express your feelings
verse	lines of a poem