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Happy National Poetry Month!

April is National Poetry Month, so below we've included a few ways to honor it. How do you like to celebrate the written word? We'd love to hear your ideas on our Facebook page (<http://bit.ly/1SDoZkU>) or on our blog (evabdykeslibrary.wordpress.com).

Memorize a poem

Poetryfoundation.org is a great resource for poems, where you can search by author, theme, national origin, or era. If you remember memorizing a poem in school, like Langston Hughes' "Harlem" or Robert Frost's "The Road Not Taken," now is a great time to look it up and refresh your memory.

Turn a photo into a poem

Take a family photo or a historical image. Set a timer and look at the image closely for five minutes. Then, set it aside and write a poem describing what you see. Here's an image to get you started — feel free to share your work with us!



Turn your phone number into a poem

Write out your phone number with one digit on each line, then write a poem with that many characters per line.

Write a round-robin poem with friends

Give everyone a piece of paper and a pen, and sit in a circle. Each person writes the first line of a poem, then passes it clockwise. The next person can either make one change to that line, or add a second line. Continue for as many rounds as there are people.