

Write a Poem for Father's Day

Here is an awesome way to show Dad or Grandpa you love him. It's called a **Metaphor Poem** and it is sure to be one of his favorite gifts.

Here's how to do it:



Brainstorm 10 or more objects, places, or actions that remind you of your dad or grandpa.

EXAMPLE:

1. Chocolate licorice
2. Raisin pie
3. Beehives
4. USU football games
5. Fresh squeezed orange juice
6. Desk cluttered with family pictures
7. Fireman Frank early mornings
8. Red Chevrolet
9. Big feet
10. Jazz fan

Your turn:

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Rearrange your ideas into a list beginning with: He is on each line. End with the words: He is my dad or He is my grandpa. Notice how each idea gets its **own line**.

EXAMPLE:

- He is chocolate licorice.
- He is USU football games
- He is fresh orange juice
- He is a desk cluttered with family photos
- He is Fireman Frank early mornings
- He is a red Chevrolet
- He is raisin pie
- He is beehives
- He is big feet
- He is a Jazz fan
- He is my dad

Your turn:

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Poetry is fun to play with. You might make another draft of your poem by grouping your lines together, adding more details, or adding more objects and ideas.

HERE IS ANOTHER DRAFT OF THE SAME POEM.

Notice how the lines are **grouped**. Notice the **shape** of the poem.

He is chocolate licorice in plastic sacks from Macy's
USU football games on a cold fall day
And fresh squeezed orange juice on a Saturday morning

He is desk cluttered with childhood family photos
War mementos
And popsicle stick crafts since 1980

He is Fireman Frank
Red Chevrolet on the 24th of July
And raisin pie that no one else can eat

He is size 11 shoes
A fully committed Jazz fan
And bottling Sanpitch honey

He quiet service
And your biggest fan.
He is my hero.
My dad.

Your turn:

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Once you are satisfied with your poem, double and triple check your spelling and then write it by hand on **nice paper**. Make sure the poem keeps its **shape**. Add a picture and autograph the page. He's sure to love it!