**Acrostic Poetry Name:**

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|  | Excelling | Meeting | Beginning to meet | Needs work |
| **Poetry Structure** | -has a title that is at least 6 letters long. -each letter represents has a suitable word/ beginning for each sentence-each letter has well-constructed complex sentences-each sentence shows a flow or sequence leading to the next-has a rhyming couplet structure | -has a title that is at least 4-5 letters long-each letter is used to express an idea or word-has one simple sentence per letter-each sentence is related to the topic-doesn’t rhyme but each line flows leading to the next | -title is short less than 4 letters long-some letters are used in the middle of the word instead of the beginning-there is only 1 word per line to support the theme -some ideas don’t flow well together or seem forced-ideas somewhat support title | -made up word that doesn’t make sense-is a very short word 1-2 letters-very brief and unrelated vocabulary-theme is not developed-acrostic is incomplete |
| **Vocabulary** | -base words are appropriate to title and topic-uses new vocabulary to express ideas in an interesting way-every word in the acrostic poem supports the main idea-uses a variety of sentences to help a reader visualize words | -casual words are used to connect themes -uses regular text and vocabulary to express ideas-provides simple sentences that make sense-most ideas fit well together to support theme | -words are very simple-vocabulary doesn’t relate to developing theme well-words are reused without much variety or imagination | -random words are used-vocabulary doesn’t develop theme-no ideas are communicated through vocabulary |
| **Mechanics** | -there are no errors in spelling, grammar, capitalization-writing is clear and makes sense | -there are 1-2 errors in spelling, grammar, capitalization-writing makes sense | -there are 3-5 errors in spelling, grammar or capitalization | More than 5 errors in spelling, grammar, capitalization. -poem doesn’t make sense |
| **Aesthetics** | -letters are attractive-colourful illustrations are included to support each theme-all the space is used and writing is legible | -theme letters are neat and a good size-theme letters are outlined/coloured neatly-most of the space is used | -letters are not neat -there is no extra either outlined or coloured-hard to read or understand-some space is not used well | -done very hastily-messy-incomplete-lots of unused space |







