



Poems, Drama, and Prose Structures

Today's Standard

4.RL.5 - Explain major differences between poems, drama, and prose, and refer to the structural elements of poems (e.g., verse, rhythm, meter) and drama (e.g., casts of characters, settings, descriptions, dialogue, stage directions) when writing or speaking about a text.

Cues	Notes
What are the major differences between poems, drama, and prose?	Poems often have verse, rhythm, and meter. Drama includes casts of characters, settings, descriptions, dialogue, and stage directions.
What are the structural elements of a poem?	Prose is written in ordinary language without metrical structure.
What are the structural elements of drama?	Understanding these differences helps in analyzing and appreciating various forms of literature.
How can you identify prose?	Each form of literature has unique structural elements that define it.
Why is it important to understand these differences?	

Summary

Understanding the differences between poems, drama, and prose, and their unique structural elements, helps in analyzing and appreciating different forms of literature.