

ITBE Poetry Contest Haiku Poem Guidelines

A Haiku is a Japanese poem about nature.

The following attributes must be included in the poem.

_____ / 1 **Format.** The poem must consist of three lines.

1 point	0 points
The poem consists of 3 lines.	The poem does not have 3 lines.

_____ / 1 **First Line.** The first line is 5 syllables long.

1 point	0 points
The first line has 5 syllables.	The first line does not have 5 syllables.

_____ / 1 **Second Line.** The second line is 7 syllables long.

1 point	0 points
The second line has 7 syllables.	The second line does not have 7 syllables.

_____ / 1 **Third line.** The third line is 5 syllables long.

1 point	0 points
The third line has 5 syllables.	The third line does not have 5 syllables.

_____ / 3 **Description.** The entry must describe nature within the student's first country or his/her perspective of nature in the United States. Ideas can include, but not limited to the weather, trees, plants, water, mountains, etc.

3 points	2 points	0 points
The description clearly describes nature in all 3 lines.	The student attempts to describe nature but one line lacks a description of nature.	The student attempts to describe nature in one line or less.

_____ / 5 **Content.** Applicants will be judged on the content of the poem. The 2012 WIDA Performance Indicators will be used. Please download from ITBE's website.

5 points	4 points	3 points	2 points	0 points
Bridging	Expanding	Developing	Emerging	Entering

_____ / 3 **Using Voice.** Using Voice. The poem uses language that engaged the reader and revealed the writer's personality in the poem.

3 points = The poem engaged the reader and the writer's personality was evident.

2 points = The poem engaged the reader OR the writer's personality was evident.

1 point = The poem attempted to engage the reader OR reveal the writer's personality.

_____ / 15 **Total points**

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Haiku Poem Scoring Sheet

	Name	Format	First Line	Second Line	Third Line	Description	Content	Using Voice	Total Points	Placement
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First grade all of your entries. Next rank your entries. Finally submit your *top 5* Haiku entries for *each grade* you teach.

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