

Student Guide

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Connecting Poetry & Art

POETRY PROMPT

Portrait of a Poet



Julia Margaret Cameron
British, born India, 1865
A. *Tennyson/The Dirty Monk*
Albumen silver print
25.9 x 21.1 cm (10³/₁₆ x 8⁵/₁₆ in.)
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Select a portrait of a poet, such as *Alfred, Lord Tennyson* by Julia Margaret Cameron or *Edna St. Vincent Millay* by Arnold Genthe.

Find a poem by your chosen poet. Which poetic devices (e.g., **metaphor**, **assonance**, **alliteration**) does the writer utilize? Use at least one of these devices in an original poem that is addressed to the writer. Finally, create your own portrait of a poet—a self-portrait!

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