**English Assessment – Poetry**

**How do the poets present war in two of the poems you have studied? Select two recently-studied war poems from your Anthology.**

1. Write an introduction – explain why a poet might write a poem about war. What might their reasons be?
2. **Poem 1** – What is it called and who wrote it? Do you know anything about the poet?

The title of the poem means …. and the poet has chosen the title because …

Quote something from the first line of Poem 1 and explain it. What words does the poet use here and why? What do we learn about war from this line?

1. Find some more bits of Poem 1 that you can write about. Choose some more quotes and explain what the words in these quotes tell the reader about war. Are there any language devices that are used?
2. **Poem 2** – What is it called and who wrote it? Do you know anything about the poet?

The title of the poem means …. and the poet has chosen the title because …

Quote something from the first line of Poem 2 and explain it. What words does the poet use here and why? What do we learn about war from this line?

1. Find some more bits of Poem 2 that you can write about. Choose some more quotes and explain what the words in these quotes tell the reader about war. Are there any language devices that are used?
2. **Compare** the two poems – do the poets use words that sound similar? Do the poets seem to feel the same about war? How can you tell?
3. **Write a Conclusion** – What are your views on war? Explain them. Have your views changed because of reading these poems?