

Dada Poetry for SEVEN Creative Sketchbooks

Dada Poetry

1. Cut out a few hundred words from a single magazine
2. Place the words into a container and shuffle to make "Word Soup"
3. Pick out one word at a time
4. Stick each word down in a new order or the order they were picked
5. This will reflect you

Dada - Duchamp 1920s. Made up word, nonsense, playful, anarchic, stream of consciousness at the heart of Dada movement.

(Dada) *Haiku*

Pick 4 words from your Word Soup
You're going to compose a haiku, a 3-line Japanese
Poem:

Line 1 has 5 syllables

Line 2 has 7 syllables

Line 3 has 5 syllables

Try and use as many of your four words as you can.

(Dada) *Landay*

Pick 4 words from your Word Soup
A Landay is an ancient Persian 2-line poem

Line one has 9 syllables

Line two has 13 syllables

Use as many of your 4 words as possible



The poem is a form of texting ... it's the original text... It's a perfecting of a feeling in language - it's a way of saying more with less, just as texting is. We've got to realise that the Facebook generation is the future - and, oddly enough, poetry is the perfect form for them. It's a kind of time capsule - it allows feelings and ideas to travel big distances in a very condensed form." (Moorehead)