Analyze a Poem



Title of Poem:
Author:
1. Read the poem through quietly to yourself. What is your first impression of the poem?
2. Now read the poem a second time. What do you notice about:
the punctuation?
• images?
• rhyme?
• rhythm?
3. Does the poem have a meaning or message? If so, is it obvious or implied?
4. Describe the structures of the poem (repetition, different voices or themes in stanzas, etc.).
5. Identify the poetic devices used (simile, metaphor, alliteration, personification, onomatopoeia, assonance, etc.).
6. What do you think of the poem now?

