

## WRITING #4 – MRS. C'S ENGLISH

### POETRY SEARCH + SHARE (NON-WHITE POETS PLEASE)

All semester, I've been sharing found poetry with you. Now it's your turn to do the searching and the sharing. Jump down an internet "rabbit hole" and look for great poetry by non-white poets that really speaks to you. It can be written verse or spoken-word but know that we'll be sharing it with each other in class.

Keep a notepage as you discover potential poems and see if you can list at least 5 that would be interesting or compelling for this assignment. Then, you'll be writing a paper that includes first the lyrics/poem itself (you might have to transcribe it) and then your own thoughts and commentary about why you picked it, what it means to you, why you wanted to share it, etc. (this should be at least a couple of paragraphs).

1. Choose a poem.
2. Watch/read and study the piece you choose.
3. Write out the poem (you can single space this). Be sure to credit the author.
4. Follow it with your own comments about why you picked it and/or what it means and/or why it is important. (Double space this portion please.)
5. Include a link to the place you found the video or text online.
6. **MOST IMPORTANT: Your commentary needs to be YOURS!! Don't plagiarize. (Of course the poem is someone else's).**

#### Tech Steps:

1. Open your Dropbox – and go to your DRAFTS folder.
2. Choose CREATE & start a new MSWORD document.
3. Type out your poem & write your thoughts/reasons/etc. about it. Make it good. Reread it to be sure it makes sense.
4. Make sure you shift paragraphs where ideas shift and use a reasonable sized font (the default is just fine).
5. Title the doc YourlastnameWriting4.docx\* (not literally – use YOUR last name, e.g. MartinezWriting4.docx). \*Note: the file extension .docx will show up automatically – don't add it. Also, don't delete the file extension or your doc won't open.
6. DO NOT share the document. I already have access to your folders so that is an unnecessary step.