

Dialogic | Group Poetry

A dialogic poem, also known as a double-voice poem, is poetry that is meant to be performed by two people. These people will often have opposing views on something or see the same thing from two different perspectives.

This poem is written in column form. When the poet wants just one person to say a line, they write it in that person's column. When the poet wants both subjects to say the same (or different) lines at the same time, they write the line in the middle column. These poems often sound like a dialog between two people or voices. Below is an example of how to set-up this type of poetry.

Opposites Attract

Batman

Joker

I am Batman.

I am the Joker.

I am a Hero.

I am a villain.

I have secrets.

Every day I fight crime
caused by the Joker.

Every day I
perpetrate crimes
which are solved by
Batman.

We are total opposites.

I am humble.

I crave attention.

People admire me for
my work.

People fear me for
my work.

I have a loyal sidekick

I wish I had a sidekick.

Without the Joker...

Without Batman...

I AM NOTHING!