

Creative Writing Exercise:

1. Decide who is participating in this activity. While you may complete this exercise alone, it will be more fun if you find a partner to do it with you!
2. Choose either to derive inspiration from artwork or music (attached below).
3. If artwork: Look at one of the paintings provided (or find one on your own). Really look at it. Study it for a few minutes without speaking or looking away. Then write an 8-12 line poem inspired by the image. If you choose to find a different piece of art, make sure that you and your partner are viewing the same image.
4. If music: Listen to either Tchaikovsky's Romeo and Juliet Overture or Chopin's Nocturne No. 20 in C sharp minor (links provided below). The Tchaikovsky clip is an 11 minute clip while the Chopin clip is slightly over 4 minutes. Whichever you choose, free yourself of distraction and really listen. You may write as you listen, or you may listen and then write. Listen again if you need to do so. Write an 8-12 line poem inspired by what you hear or feel.
5. When you are done, switch poems with your partner. What similarities do you see? What differences?

Music Links:

Tchaikovsky: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2jKeYuPvjM>

Chopin: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G33opPoryh4>

Art Images:



Option 1



Option 2:

George
Hendrik
Breitner's

*Girl in a
White
Kimono*