

Poetry Editing & Performance Checklist

Use this checklist to improve your poem and prepare it for performance. Editing should make your writing clearer, stronger and more expressive.

- ✓ Have I chosen strong verbs?
- ✓ Have I added at least one sound or image?
- ✓ Does every line earn its place?
- ✓ Have I read it aloud?
- ✓ Have I tried two different adjectives or verbs?
- ✓ Is the rhythm clear?
- ✓ Can I perform it confidently?

Use this checklist after drafting your poem, before writing your final version or performing.