**Extended Metaphor Poem Project**

**Your task:**
- To write an extended metaphor poem that uses an extended metaphor, similes, personification and imagery.
- Then-to EITHER
  - Illustrate the poem with an image of the object from your metaphor
  - OR record a video of yourself performing the poem as spoken word with the object from your metaphor in the background
- Then
  - Post a picture/document of your poem to the Google Classroom Assignment
  - Or upload the video to the Google Classroom Assignment

**Steps:**
1. Choose a subject from your list. Remember the tone that you want to convey.
   - Example: Subject-My mom Tone-Loving, Warm
2. Choose an object to compare your subject to that will help convey your tone.
   - Example: Subject-My mom Object: A blanket
3. Brainstorm a list of words that relate to your subject AND your object
   - cozy
   - warm
   - enveloping
   - covers
   - keeps safe at night
4. Draft your poem in your notebook. Make sure that it is at least 10-15 lines.
   
   My mom is a warm, cozy blanket  
   That I wrap around myself  
   When the world is cold and gray.  
   She envelops me when stress is like a storm,  
   Which sneaks up behind me on the horizon.

   At 11:59, when fears of the unknown  
   Tip toe into my room  
   I cover myself with her and hide.

   And she protects me.

   Growing up doesn’t stop the need  
   For a really cozy blanket.  
   Life still gets cold.  
   And while I am 34 years old,  
   I still rely on my warm, cozy blanket  
   To feel like I’m okay.

   Little does she know...  
   I will always be comforted in her warmth.
5. Revise and make sure that...
   ➢ the metaphor continues throughout multiple stanzas
   ➢ you include at least one simile
   ➢ you include at least one example of personification
   ➢ you appeal to at least 2 senses using imagery
   ➢ your tone is clear
   ➢ you wrote at least 10-15 lines

6. Write your poem on white printer paper and draw an image that matches the object in your metaphor. Take a picture of it and post it to your Google Assignment.
   OR
   Type it in a Google Document and insert image(s) that match(es) the object in your metaphor.
   OR
   Record a video of you performing your poem as a spoken word performance. Include the object that you compared to your subject somewhere in the background.

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Find inspiration in the following poems:

**Picking Up the Pieces: the Mosaic Vase**

You are an intricate mosaic vase,
With so many glass pieces to your being.
All labeled by various colors and shapes.
Reds, blues, oranges, gigantic, small, sharp.
Your colors represent who and what you will always be—
A difference, a sister, a teacher, a daughter, a venturer, a writer, a
Hodgepodge of unique.

You are a fascinatingly beautiful mosaic vase,
A vase that lights up a dull room, boring and lifeless.
I wonder and admire how you put yourself together—
Even through the hardest of times—
In order to create a stunning
Work of art.

Even though you are quite rare and fragile with
all your misshaped and broken glass pieces,
You are shaped to perfection.
You are a mosaic vase.

—Jaclyn Pryzbylowski