

"These Things I Love" poetry assignment

Name _____

Using the example on the back as a guide, write a poem about the things you love. Use the five senses to create your poem. Make the reader SEE, HEAR, FEEL, TASTE, AND SMELL the things you love.

1. The poem must be typed
2. You may be creative with font, pictures and size
3. Use at least one figure of speech (simile, metaphor, personification, alliteration, etc.)
4. Use the senses in your writing

See the rubric below to see how you will be graded. This poem is due on _____.

These Things I Love Poem Grading Rubric

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| 1. Typed | ____/5 |
| 2. Uses figures of speech and/or poetic devices | ____/5 |
| 3. Employs imagery and the senses | ____/15 |
| 4. Overall Impressions | ____/5 |
| Score | ____/30 |

The Things I Love

These things I love to see:

*Snow falling from the sky on a cold winter evening,
Families gathering around a campfire, singing and laughing,
The mixture of colors in a bright, crimson sunset.*

These things I love to hear:

*Children splashing around in the warm waters of the ocean,
The soft purr of my little kitten, snuggling in my lap,
The soothing rhythm of the wind blowing through my hair.*

These things I love to feel:

*My puppy's fur coat as she lays next to me in a chair,
A silk shirt that slides easily between my fingertips,
The softness of my pillow as I settle down for a good night's rest.*

These things I love to taste:

*Ice cream, cooling my throat on a scorching summer day at the beach.
The homey taste of Lanzas' pasta and salad,
Candy tingling on my tongue as its sour taste turns to sweet.*

These things I love to smell:

*Warm, gooey cookies on a cold, bitter night,
Flowers, freshly picked from an English garden,
The moist air after it rains.*

-Katie Mitchell

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