

Name \_\_\_\_\_ **Structure's Contribution**

# The Role of Structure in Meaning

**DIRECTIONS:** Read the assigned poem. Fill out the organizer below to analyze the structure. Then write a paragraph about how the presence of absence of any of these structural elements contribute to the overall "meaning" of the poem.

# of stanzas: \_\_\_\_\_ # of lines per stanza: \_\_\_\_\_

Does # of lines per stanza vary? If so, how?

Form of poem (circle one):

ode      elegy      sonnet      ballad      epic      haiku      limerick      free verse      other: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the poem rhyme? \_\_\_\_\_ Is the rhyme internal, external or both? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the rhyme scheme? \_\_\_\_\_

Does the poem use a set meter? What is it? \_\_\_\_\_

Does the poem use any of the following?

alliteration

onomatopoeia

personification

hyperbole

assonance

repetition

metaphor

simile

consonance

parallel structure

Other (explain):

