**Quick tips for poetic analysis**

**1. "The Poem's Title" by The Poet**

**2. Write in the present tense**

**3. If you refer to the author again, use last name, author or narrator.**

**4. Use quotes to 'prove' inferences**

**5. Identify theme, tone, audience**

**6. Identify poetic devices the writer is using by type and explain the effect it has: "The rhythmic qualities of the poem can be heard when Brooks writes, 'through pout or pain or peskiness.' She uses alliteration and repetition throughout."**

**7. No "I" or "I think"**

**8. "**We live in secret cities / And we travel unmapped roads."

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