How to Teach Poetry Teacher Lesson Plan #8

Course: How to Teach Poetry	Lecture 8: Social Impact and Literacy (8 of 15)
TEACHER GOALS	● Motivate student literacy and social engagement ● Take student poetry skills beyond the classroom to make a social impact while improving literacy ● Encourage students to gravitate away from writing about themselves and instead about their community and real-world situations
STUDENT GOALS	● Become a powerful person in society through the mastery of language ● Empowerment through literacy ● Change the world with words
TEACHER DO NOW	● Arrange desks/chairs in the classroom in a circle to create a warm, supportive, interactive space for students and teachers to communicate
STUDENT DO NOW	● Review the poem from Lesson Plan 3 written about a topic of choice from PowerPoetry's Action Guides
MINI-LESSON/ACTIVITY	● As a class, for the first 10 minutes students will make a list of the tools and poetry techniques they have learned thus far ● For the next 15 minutes students will review PowerPoetry's 7 Tips for Editing Poetry and PowerPoetry's 5 Tips for Using Diction ● The remainder of class will be devoted to students revise and edit upon their poem from Lesson Plan 3 using what they have learned since that lesson
SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL	● PowerPoetry's 7 Tips for Editing

	Poetry http://www.powerpoetry.org/actions/7-tips-editing-poetry ● PowerPoetry's 5 Tips for Using Diction http://www.powerpoetry.org/actions/5-tips-using-diction
HOMEWORK	● Students will send their new and improved social action-related poem somewhere it may be used to incite social change (i.e. organization, newspaper, website related to the topic, etc.) and share with the class where it has been sent