

Note Taking

SONNET FORM

Fill in the blanks to make complete sentences that will help you remember key terms and concepts relating to the sonnet form.

1. Not a narrative poem, the sonnet is a _____ poem.
2. The sonnet has a length of _____ lines.
3. The sonnet form began in Italy in the _____ century.
4. The Italian poet _____ established the form that became known as the _____ sonnet
5. The sonnet is used to express personal feelings, especially those of _____.
6. The poet _____ introduced the sonnet into English literature.
7. William Shakespeare mastered the form, and English sonnets became known as _____ sonnets.

Use the following diagram to take notes on the sonnet structure. Use your own system, such as color coding, to divide each sonnet form into its main parts. Then fill in the rhyme schemes. Lastly, complete the sentences to describe each part of the sonnet.

Petrarchan Sonnet			Shakespearean Sonnet		
Line	Rhyme Scheme		Line	Rhyme Scheme	
1		The first _____ lines is called an _____. This part sets up _____.	1		The first 4 lines (called a _____) sets up _____.
2			2		
3			3		
4			4		
5		The last _____ lines is called a _____. This part expresses _____.	5		The 2nd and 3rd _____ explore the _____.
6			6		
7			7		
8			8		
9			9		The last 2 lines (called a _____) resolves the _____.
10			10		
11			11		
12			12		
13			13		
14			14		