Poetry is available on PyPI, but they recommend using their alternative installer to avoid polluting your Python packages. Showcased using Poetry for all interactions with the project which made forgetting our virtual environment an impossibility. Saw the lockfile in action which enables repeatable builds and avoids dependency nightmares. Avoided the overhead of setuptools/setup.py to install our package/module in our environment. Poems, Poets, Poetry by Helen Vendler is a great introduction to the world of poetry. It covers, step by step, a variety of styles of poetry, from a number of eras, written by poets of a collection of backgrounds. Note that she explicitly tackles only poetry written in English, as the challenges of translating poetry from a different language into English is an entirely separate (and quite challenging!) subject. So her focus is on the basics - how poetry is written in a given language, how it is interpreted, and what makes it “poetry.” Well recommended both as a book that provides a wealth of information on what poetry is all about, and also as a collection of meaningful, intriguing poems.

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May I introduce you to sonnet - 14 lines, terrific rhyme scheme, packed with metaphor and anaphora and has an iambic pentameter to die for. This mystery can be experienced by the reader (and the student/poet) if they are willing to approach each poem as if it were a new day in which they’re about to be entertained. In this case, by a few metaphors and intriguing imagery. Poetry book. Read 6 reviews from the world's largest community for readers. Adapted from Michael Meyer's best-selling Bedford Introduction to Literature. Adapted from Michael Meyer's best-selling Bedford Introduction to Literature, this anthology responds to the needs of all kinds of poetry courses. Instructors across the country report that especially at schools where there is a decreased emphasis on literature and the humanities, students do not necessarily see literature as relevant to their lives. They are sometimes told that without the humanities, they have no choice but to study business, science, or technology.

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