

Getting Started

What If?

You really like someone at school and have wanted to date this person all year long. You are very shy—too shy to actually have a conversation with the person. You are a good writer, so you decide to write a poem that tells this person how you feel.

You show your poem to your best friend, but she thinks your poem is silly. She also thinks you will scare the person away with emotional poetry. She thinks that you would make a much better impression if you just start a conversation. You really want to tell the person how you feel, but now you are more confused than ever.

Make notes about how this would affect you.

- What decision would you make?
- Why would you choose either the poetry or the conversation?
- How would you react if someone wrote you a poem?

Connect to The Exchange Question Discuss how this situation could relate to The Exchange Question: **Is poetry more powerful than conversation?** Summarize your discussion.
