**Poetry terms often found on the AP Literature Exam:**

Many of these you should already be comfortable with – others are more obscure but are worth memorizing should they appear on a multiple choice question. Some very obvious terms are omitted.

Alliteration

Anaphora

Antithesis

Apostrophe

Assonance

blank verse

cacophony

caesura

conceit

consonance

couplet

diction

elegy

euphony

enjambment

feminine rhyme

free verse

hyperbole

internal rhyme

 masculine rhyme

metaphor

meter

metonymy

ode

octave

parallelism

pastoral

quatrain

refrain

scansion

 monometer                  one foot per line
                dimeter                        two feet per line
                trimeter                        three feet per line
                tetrameter                    four feet per line
                pentameter                   five feet per line
                hexameter                    six feet per line
                heptameter                   seven feet per line
                octameter                     eight feet per line

sestet

synecdoche

syntax

tercet

terza rima

villanelle