Searching for Images In Poetry

This may be a group project of 3, 2, or 1 student.

Poets work with images (mental pictures) that allow the reader (with a little imagination) to see just what it is he is amazed by. These images are usually presented in one (or more) of these figurative devices:

**SIMILE**
A comparison between two different things, using the word 'like' or 'as.'

Example: *Henry is as happy as a bird in springtime.*

**METAPHOR**
A direct comparison between two different things – no use of any special words.

Example: *The poles were giant prisoner, standing along the highway – tied together with wire.*

Sometimes, you will find that an entire poem is a metaphor.

**PERSONIFICATION**
The poet give human or animal qualities to objects that are not normally alive. A stone might breath, for example, or a car might be smiling at you as you approach it.

ASSIGNMENT

1. Get at least one copy of BOOK OF COLLECTED POEMS "WATERMELON PICKLE" FOR EXAMPLE
2. Get a group (no more than three) together in your class.
3. Use the other side of this sheet to complete your work.
4. Read selected poems from the book. Let the poem ‘grab’ you with its title. No group may use the same poems, however, so call *shotgun* to your teacher and the class, to reserve a poem for your group.
5. Find examples of the following, in your selections:
   - 10 similes
   - 8 metaphors
   - 2 personifications

6. Your paper should be ready to turn in to your teacher by DATE. You MAY NOT take the books home to work on these. All work must be done in class. Return the books at the end of the period.
Image Search

Group Members

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Period ____ DAY1 and ____ DAY2 Two-Day assignment

SIMILES

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