

35. Using poetry as a starting point

Like exercise 3, this exercise begins with brainstorming imagery. Students should be learning to avoid the literal and to use metaphor and free association.

References

Chrysanthemum's the Word by **Toby Roberts** (
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/dna/filmnetwork/A12790767>)

Uses a Poem by punk Poet **John Cooper Clarke**. In just 15 seconds with one rotating tracking shot, a story (complete with twist) is drawn out.

Clip 35.1 - This clip explores issues of friendship, making powerful use of metaphor.

Clip 35.2 – This advanced piece of animation, also featured in Exercise 4, uses Tim Burton's poem 'Voodoo Girl' as it's inspiration.