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3. Now, arrange the lines of the poem you've brainstormed into a poem. It's up to you how you want to arrange the lines and make the stanzas. Will you have a stanza of all "I Hear"or we the stanzas include one line of each prompt—"I hearI understandI seeI wantI am must incorporate free verse, catalog, anaphora/parallel structure, imagery, and ONE OTHER LITERARY DEVICE INTO THE POEM. Underline and label these on the poem. You might not use all the lines you brainstormed, but the final poem must be a minimum of 15 lines long	rill You nt
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