**“I Am” Poem Assignment**

**Task:**

* To demonstrate your understanding of poetic devices and language
* You are to create a poster with an “I Am” Poem
* Write an “I Am” Poem about yourself, a character, a concept (ex. a journey), etc.
* Use figurative language in your poem (simile, metaphor, personification, imagery, etc)
* Create a title for your poem
* Create a poster which creatively displays your poem, title and imagery to reflect your poem

**Evaluation Criteria**

\*See Rubric

**Example**

**Format for an “I Am” Poem**

I am (two special characteristics)  
I wonder (something you are actually curious about)  
I hear (an imaginary sound)  
I see (an imaginary sight)  
I want (an actual desire)  
I am (the first line of the poem restated)

I pretend (something you actually pretend to do)  
I feel (a feeling about something imaginary)  
I touch (an imaginary touch)  
I worry (something that really bothers you)  
I cry (something that makes you very sad)  
I am (the first line of the poem repeated)

I understand (something you know is true)  
I say (something you believe in)  
I dream (something you actually dream about)  
I try (something you really make an effort about)  
I hope (something you actually hope for)  
I am (the first line of the poem repeated)

**I Am**

I am sharp and focused  
I wonder what the camera really sees  
I hear the buzzing bee  
I see flowers in early morning light  
I want to stop time in a box  
I am sharp and focused  
  
I pretend to be a statue  
I feel the shakes inside  
I touch the shutter button  
I worry about the blurry result  
I cry that the moment has forever passed  
I am sharp and focused  
  
I understand moments in time  
I say let's freeze them forever  
I dream of watercolor effects coming to life  
I try to see all the soft muted edges  
I hope it happens someday  
I am sharp and focused