

p d p b g d

SOUNDS

Poetry is not just
expression in words.

It is also expression in sounds.

Poets compose sounds;
they choose words that
contain the sounds they need,
and then they arrange the words
into a composition that is
an artistic combination of
words and sounds.

The result resembles
the musical composition that
a composer might write.

There are the vowel sounds
like flutes, oboes, woodwinds:

a, e, i, o, u, y

and there are the consonant sounds
that provide texture and percussion:

b, c, d, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, p,

q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y, z.

The letter *y* can be either
a vowel as in *very*, or a consonant
as in *yellow*.