**Two Paragraph Essay- Poetry**

Assignment: Write a two paragraph essay. The first paragraph you identify the **theme (or message)** from a text and analyze how the theme is developed. Support your main points with specific details and explain how the details relate and support your ideas.

For the second paragraph, focus on what **literary devices** the poet uses to develop the theme. The literary devices we have studies so far are **imagery, symbolism, rhyme, sound devices** (like repetition or words or sounds-alliteration) and figurative language (**simile, metaphor, personification, hyperbole**). You must explain 2 devices that were used.

For this assignment, you may choose one poem from the poems we have discussed:

*Somehow, Not Only for Christmas by John Greenleaf Whittier*

*I’m Nobody! Who are you? By Emily Dickenson*

*Red Boots On by Kit Wright*

*Sarah Cynthia Sylvia Stout by Shel Silverstein*

*The Secret Heart by* [*Robert Peter Tristram Coffin*](http://www.poetrynook.com/poet/robert-peter-tristram-coffin)

*Blow, Blow, Thou Winter Wind by William Shakespeare*

Organize your thoughts before writing each paragraph using the **four square chart.** Use transitions: First, Second, In summary, In addition….