

## Fahrenheit 451—I Am Poems

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Period\_\_\_\_\_

The character of Guy Montag has been revealed to us in several ways in this novel. In order to understand how and why he's changed, you must understand what he is like at the beginning and what he is like at the end of the story.

For this assignment, you will be writing two poems, both of which will be from the point of view of Guy Montag. You will write the poems using the "I Am" formula below.

### **Poem #1**

Poem #1 will be written based on your understanding of Montag after reading the first part of "The Hearth and the Salamander."

**Due date for Poem #1:** \_\_\_\_\_

### **Poem #2**

Poem #2 will be written based on your understanding of Montag after reading the entire novel.

**Due date for Poem #2:** \_\_\_\_\_

I am two characteristics of Guy Montag,  
I wonder something he would be curious about,  
I hear a sound he would want to hear,  
I see a sight he would want to see,  
I want something he would want,  
I am repeat your first line.

I pretend something that Guy would pretend to do,  
I feel a feeling about something he would imagine,  
I touch something he would want to touch,  
I worry about something that would bother him,  
I cry about something that would make him sad,  
I am repeat the first line of the poem.

I understand something Guy would say is true,  
I say something he would believe in,  
I dream something he would dream about,  
I try something he would make an effort about,  
I hope something he would hope for,  
I am the first line of the poem repeated.

I am Guy Montag.

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Write your rough draft of the first poem on Google Drive. Save the document in your English folder as "I Am Poems."

**Fahrenheit 451: "I Am" Poem Poster**  
**40 points**

**Directions:** Create an attractive poster showcasing the two "I Am" poems you have already written. Be sure to include the following:

- Your name and class period
- Two "I Am" poems, typed
- Titles for both poems
- Author's name and title of book
- Aspects of the novel (quotes, symbols, characters, etc.)
- Correct capitalization, spelling, and punctuation

**Due Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**"I Am" Poster Rubric**

Category	8	6	4	2
<b>Attractiveness</b>	The poster is exceptionally attractive in terms of design, creativity, and neatness	The poster is attractive in terms of design, creativity, and neatness	The poster is acceptably attractive	The poster needs more work
<b>Content-Accuracy</b>	Many accurate aspects of the novel are displayed on the poster	Some accurate aspects of the novel are displayed on the poster	A few accurate aspects of the novel are displayed on the poster	More aspects of the novel need to be displayed on the poster
<b>Mechanics and Required Elements</b>	Capitalization, spelling, and punctuation are correct throughout. Directions are followed.	There are a few errors in capitalization, spelling, and/or punctuation. Directions are followed.	There are several errors in capitalization, spelling, punctuation, and/or directions.	There are many errors in capitalization, spelling, punctuation, and/or directions.
<b>Word Choice – Poems (x2)</b>	Poems show careful word choice and clearly illustrate how and why Montag changes.	Poems show good word choice and are a good representation of how and why Montag changes.	Poems show adequate word choice. However, they do not clearly represent how and why Montag changes.	More work is needed on wording. Poems do not clearly represent how and why Montag changes.

**Total \_\_\_\_\_/40 points**