Poet's Name/ /Title	Poet's Culture/ /Heritage	Experiences that shaped the attitudes/beliefs of poet.	Details of the poem that reveal author's perspective. 1 = Identify the story element; 2 = Evidence; 3 = Why/how from his background does the poet write this; 4 = Evidence
Joaquin Miller Columbus	Writer Pioneer Justice Historical	-changes his name based off of the life a bandit -he opened a pony express route -he worked as a county judge - he wrote songs of the sierrascradle was a covered wagon pointing west -columbus was best known work -wrote multiple books about poetry -was born in liberty, Indiana -he owned a newspaper -he settled in oregon -he died in 1913	Subject Matter 1) columbus,crewmates journey 2) "Now we must pray" /"sail on sail on"/ "if we sight not but seas at dawn"/ Title is Columbus 3) -both explorers 4) He established express route Mood 1)depressing,brave,confident, courageous, hopeless 2) "why now not even god would know" "god from these dead seas is gone" 3) realistic and he had experience 4)he was a county judge Theme 1) Fight back! / Don't give up 2) Of all dark nights A light"/ "sail on sail on " 3) Inspired by the people in court / he never gave up 4) He made a pony express/ he owned a newspaper/
Western Wagons By Stephen Vincent Benet	Literary culture!	-he was a poet -he was a short story writer -he was a dramatist -he wrote historical themes -epic poem about the civil war won the pulitzer - his family also	Subject Matter 1) Traveling west. 2) "We're going west tomorrow" 3) He liked the era 4) He wrote a book of Americas

		wrote -come from literary family -first collection of poems was published at 17 - he wrote A Book of Americans with his wife.	Mood 1)Excitement 2) "where the promises cant fail" '3) he wanted to make it interesting/ motivate the reader/ 4) to provide entertainment there was no tv/ he was a dramatist Theme 1) You never know until you try./There's always something to try for. 2) "The cowards never started"/ "We're going west tomorrow where the promises cant fail" 3) He was inspired by the era of the gold rush 4) He often wrote about historical Themes 5)
The Other Pioneers Roberto felix salazar	-Hispanic culture	-born in 1913 -He's Mexican American -He's an author -The poem is about the og pioneers that had spanish names -He aims to dramatize american heritage -Challenges readers assumptions about the start of the U.S -He was a historian	