

Inspired by the Cure's song, [10:15 on a Saturday Night](#), this eighth grader created the following "One-Minute in Time" poem. Discuss Luke's use of idea development and word choice in their poems.

# Smoldering Fire

by Luke, 8<sup>th</sup> grade poet



## Anger

Red anger penetrates my mind  
I say I want to resolve these problems  
Paradoxically, I never really try  
This smoldering fire burns persistently  
This taste is too bitter for the tongue  
This smoldering fire enrages  
My fist pounds the table  
Bang, bang, bang, bang

## Anguish

There must be intense fog between us  
Because you never see my side  
Feeling like a bridge  
Everyone walks all over me  
Just to get over me  
This all leaves me downcast  
Now so diminutive and frail  
This smoldering fire enrages  
My fist pounds the table  
Bang, bang, bang, bang