Have copies of these poems/stories/songs available. Listen to and read out in class. Discuss in groups.

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| Poem  # | Name | Author | Date  written | Topic | Relationships |
| 1 | My Country | Dorothea  Mackeller | 1904 | - Written not long after  Federation  - The love of the  Australian Countryside.  - Change of love from  Fields of England | - Love for Australia  - Move from England  - Core of her heart  - Can be harsh country  - Love all of it  - Beautiful but harsh  - Understanding |
| 2 | Pub with No  Beer  (Song) | Aussie  Male? | 1960’s? | - Written about Pub in  back country NSW  - There is now a love for Melbourne and its culture and worth. | - Harsh country –  drought?  - Lonely life  - Now a ‘lucky country’  - Beautiful Melbourne  - City life of Melbourne great culture and beer! |
| 3 | Advance Australia fair | unknown | - |  | - Pride for Australia  - Majestic country  - Love for Australia’s nature (flora / fauna)  - Bright future  - Prosperous  - Respect |
| 4 | The Goating  Bug | Jennifer  Haige | Approx  1880’s? | - Boy talking of father  farming many different animals  - Money gained from farming | - Resource for $$$  - Importance of agriculture  - Poor knowledge of  Australian farming |

Write own poem. Analyse topic & relationships

Discuss the poetry, stories, songs below and complete the table. Present findings to class.

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| Poem  # | Name | Author | Date  written | Topic | Analyse relationship shown |
| 1 | My Country | Dorothea  Mackeller |  |  | - |
| 2 | The Goating  Bug | Jennifer  Haige |  |  |  |
| 3 | Big Yellow Taxi | Joni Mitchell |  |  |  |
| 4 | Pub with No  Beer  (Song) | Slim Dusty |  |  |  |
| 5 | Advance Australia fair  (song) | unknown |  |  |  |

• Write your own poem about your relationship with the environment