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## Graphic Organizers for Active Reading

# I Am Offering This Poem

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### The Gift of Love

Imagine that you could give anything you want to someone you love. What would you give? On the lines below, list some of the things that come to mind. Use sensory details to describe your gifts. How do they look, sound, smell, taste, and feel?

GIFTS

**1.** In "I Am Offering This Poem," the speaker compares this love poem to a warm coat, to a pot of corn, and to other basic objects and experiences. If you were writing a love poem, to what would you compare it? You might get some ideas from the gift list you made above.

**2.** In Baca's poem, the speaker has only one concrete thing to give: a poem. How do you think the recipient of the poem would respond? What might this person say or do?

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