Four Steps to Create Book Spine Poetry

**Step 1:** Browse many, many book spines and choose one or two that spark your interest or that speak to your heart.

**Step 2:** Find other book spines that complement your first choice. Don’t edit yet – grab any spines that you think may work! Stop when you have 6-8 books.

**Step 3:** Start playing with combinations of spines, swapping and changing the order. Don’t settle with your first try! Try putting your poem together like a puzzle and explore how changing the order changes the meaning of your poem.

**Step 4:** Read your poem aloud to yourself and to a partner. When it sounds right, snap a photo of your completed poem.