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What is "Pindaric Ode"?

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## The Pindaric ode :-

The Pindaric odes are written on the model of the odes written by Pindar, the great Greek poet. They are choric in character and designed to be sung by a troupe of dancers in churches or public halls.

The Pindaric odes are in fact very formal, obeying a triadic structure in which the form first stanza (strophe) is repeated in the second stanza (anti-strophe), followed by a third stanza (epode).

that introduces variations.  
Cowley's Resurrection and  
Thomas Gray's Progress  
of Poesy are the best  
examples of Pindaric ode.

On the other hand  
the Romantic ode is a  
long lyrical poem serious  
in subject, elevated in  
style and elaborated in  
its stanzaic structure.  
It is the form of address  
to the object or the person  
about whom it is written.  
Some notable Romantic  
odes in English poetry  
are Keats' Ode to a Nightingale  
Shelley's Ode to the West Wind

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