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| **Title** | Ponder the title before reading the poem |
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| **Paraphrase** | Translate the poem into your own word s |
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| **Connotation** | Contemplate the poem for meaning beyond the literal (Interpretation) |
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| **Attitude** | Observe both the speaker’s and the poet’s attitude (tone, diction, images, mood, etc.) |
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| **Shifts** | Note shifts in speakers and in attitudes (are there changes?) |
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| **Title** | Examine the title again, this time on an interpretive level |
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| **Theme** | Determine what the poet is saying |
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