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# TP-CASTT Poetry Analysis

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**TITLE:** Consider the title and make a prediction about what the poem is about.

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**PARAPHRASE:** Translate the poem line by line into your own words on a literal level. Look for complete thoughts (sentences may be inverted) and look up unfamiliar words.

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**CONNOTATION:** Examine the poem for meaning beyond the literal. Look for figurative language, imagery, and sound elements.

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**ATTITUDE/TONE:** Notice the speaker's tone and attitude. Humor? Sarcasm? Awe?

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**SHIFTS:** Note any shifts or changes in speaker or attitude. Look for key words, time change, punctuation.

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**TITLE:** Examine the title again, this time on an interpretive level.

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**THEME:** Briefly state in your own words what the poem is about (subject), then what the poet is saying about the subject (theme).