

Poetry Analysis - TPCASTT

- T - Title:** The meaning of the title without reference to the poem.
- P - Paraphrase:** Put the poem, line by line, in your own words. **DO NOT READ INTO THE POEM.** Only read on surface level.
- C - Connotation:** Look for deeper meaning (symbolism, imagery, similes, metaphors, mood, punctuation, rhyme scheme, etc.).
- A - Attitude:** Look for the author's tone. How is the writer speaking?
- S - Shifts:** Look for shifts in tone, action, and rhythm. How do these affect the poem?
- T - Title:** Reevaluate the title as it pertains to the poem.
- T - Theme:** What does the poem mean? What is it saying? How does it relate to life?