

Input - Poems and Metaphors - Group A

- 1) While you read the poem, think about the questions below. Discuss them with your group. Take notes of your discussion.
 - a) What is the poem about?
 - b) What is your impression of it?
 - c) Can you identify the metaphors in these excerpts? Circle them.
 - d) What do you think they mean?
 - e) Do they reinforce the subject of the poem? How?

"Hope" is the thing with feathers - (254) - Poem by Emily Dickinson (1891)

*"Hope" is the thing with feathers —
That perches in the soul —
And sings the tune without the words —
And never stops — at all —*

*And sweetest — in the Gale — is heard —
And sore must be the storm —
That could abash the little Bird
That kept so many warm —*

*I've heard it in the chilliest land —
And on the strangest Sea —
Yet — never — in Extremity,
It asked a crumb — of Me.*

Source:

https://www.commonlit.org/en/texts/hope-is-the-thing-with-feathers?search_id=841490

Input - Poems and Metaphors - Group B

- 1) While you read the poem, think about the questions below. Discuss them with your group. Take notes of your discussion.
 - a) What is the poem about?
 - b) What is your impression of it?
 - c) Can you identify the metaphors in these excerpts? Circle them.
 - d) What do you think they mean?
 - e) Do they reinforce the subject of the poem? How?

Mother to Son - Poem by Langston Hughes (1922)

*Well, son, I'll tell you:
Life for me ain't been no crystal stair.
It's had tacks in it,
And splinters,
And boards torn up,
And places with no carpet on the floor —
Bare.
But all the time
I've been a-climbin' on,
And reachin' landin's,
And turnin' corners,
And sometimes goin' in the dark
Where there ain't been no light.
So boy, don't you turn back.
Don't you set down on the steps
'Cause you finds it's kinder hard.
Don't you fall now —
For I've still goin', honey,
I've still climbin',
And life for me ain't been no crystal stair.*

Source: https://www.commonlit.org/en/texts/mother-to-son?search_id=841490

Input - Poems and Metaphors - Group C

- 1) While you read the poem, think about the questions below. Discuss them with your group. Take notes of your discussion.
 - a) What is the poem about?
 - b) What is your impression of it?
 - c) Can you identify the metaphors in these excerpts? Circle them.
 - d) What do you think they mean?
 - e) Do they reinforce the subject of the poem? How?

Nothing Gold Can Stay - Poem by Robert Frost (1923)

*Nature's first green is gold,
Her hardest hue to hold.
Her early leaf's a flower;
But only so an hour.
Then leaf subsides to leaf.
So Eden sank to grief,
So Dawn goes down to day.
Nothing gold can stay.*

Source:

https://www.commonlit.org/en/texts/nothing-gold-can-stay?search_id=840652