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# Analyzing Poetry

**DIRECTIONS:** Read the poem “It Is A Beauteous Evening” by William Wordsworth. Think about what you have read. Then write a brief analysis of the poem. Consider what you think the poem means and how Wordsworth uses language, poetic devices, and figures of speech to create this meaning, as well as mood and tone, in the poem.

It is a beauteous Evening, calm and free;  
The holy time is quiet as a Nun  
Breathless with adoration; the broad sun  
Is sinking down in its tranquillity;  
The gentleness of heaven is on the Sea;  
Listen! The mighty Being is awake  
And doth with his eternal motion make  
A sound like thunder—everlastingly.  
Thou liest in Abraham’s bosom all the year;  
And worshipp’st at the Temple’s inner shrine,  
God being with thee when we know it not.

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