

Give

Cut up the cards and hand out to pairs of students to work on for five minutes at a time

What choices does the speaker have?

What romantic images are there in the poem? Why are they included?

What change in tone is there between the first and the last stanzas?

Can you find any religious imagery in the poem? Who do you think the speaker refers to them?

What do you think the tone of the speaker is? Explain your decision.

Why does the speaker use the word 'dear' in the first line? Is it a reference to the place or the person being spoken to?

Why do you think the poem is called 'Give'?

Notice all the references to money and precious metals; why do you think they are included? Do any have a double meaning?

What comments can you make about the structure of the poem?

Why are the personal pronouns 'I' and 'you' and 'yours' used so much? What effect does the repetition of them have?

Who do you think the speaker is addressing? Give reasons for your answer.

What do you think this poem is about?