

'Mrs Aesop'

Below is a selection of words from the above poem. Look carefully at them and decide what you think Carol Ann Duffy's poem might be like. What might Mrs Aesop have to say? The words have been kept in the same order that they appear in the poem; words on the same line are from the same line of the poem and the stanza breaks are shown by the lines. Before discussing the poem with the rest of the group have a go at writing your own version of 'Mrs Aesop'.

Christ Purgatory
prepossess impress

bird in his hand

He'd stand at our gate,

The jackdaw, according to him,

Eagle. Donkeys would

Lions.

Evening stroll, hare

A tortoise,

Creeping, Marriage,

Race? sour grapes? Silk purse,

Some days

Awake story

Moral

The sex

Fable

Cock crow,

Heart pot kettle.

Cut face.

laughed