***The Sun Rising by John Donne***

***Analysis of the poem***

***DAD. WEEK FROM 15TH TO 21ST MARCH.***

The *Sun Rising* is a metaphysical poem written by John Donne. In this poem the speaker orders the sun to warm his bed so that he and his lover can stay there.

Considering the layout, the poem is organized into three regular stanzas and there are ten lines for every stanza. The rhyme scheme in each stanza is ABBACDCDEE. In the first stanza the speaker has a go at the sun for invasion of privacy and declares that love isn’t subject to the everyday routines, and is certainly no slave time. The spiking voice can picture the lovers being rudely awakened by the strong rays and wanting the sun to go elsewhere. But the emphasis here is on belittling - the sun is told to go and call on people arguably less important - boys late for school, resentful apprentices and farm workers.  Then the verbal tense of the speaking voice changes and asks him if "MUST to thy motions lovers' seasons run" then describes it with other negative adjectives such as "saucy pedantic wrecth", because, the author says that love does not know any season, day, climate or time, but it is immutable. The speaking voice then invites the sun to leave lovers alone and to invite pupils and late apprentices to do more quickly. In the second stanza the poet challenges the sun by saying that he could eclipse it simply by closing his eyes but he doesn't do it otherwise he would lose sight of his beloved woman. The speaking voice tells of his beloved, describing her better than the sun because her eyes are able to blind those of the sun. In the last stanza the speaking voice compares her lover to all states and himself to all princes. They are so happy that the sun, says the poet, is happy half of them. the speaking voice concludes by saying that the duty of the sun is only to warm the bed of the two loved ones, which represents the whole world.

In "The Sun Rising," the speaker wants to bend the rules of the universe. Rather than allowing the sun's "motions" across the sky to govern the way the speaker spends his time, the speaker challenges the sun's authority and claims that love gives him the power to stay in bed all day with his lover.