UTE » Sharing English Literature: Reading and Discussion Practice

Lesson 10 - January 14th, 2025. W. Shakespeare, Sonnet LXXIII.



STEP 1From the Middle Ages to the Renaissance

STEP 2 The sonnet

IT Translation

STEP 3

Consider lay out and structure.

What is the function of the different stanzas? How they make sense?

STEP 4

Denotative analysis

Now take the overall text into consideration: What kind of poem do you think it is? Who is speaking? To whom? What is the speaker's intention?

STEP 5

Consider the layers of language use

- level of sound
- level of semantics (words chosen, tenses, ...)
- level of syntax (sentence structure/punctuation)
- level of formality/informality (formal language, informal register/s)
- possible ideal listener/reader

The sonnet structure

Listen to When we were young

Lyrics

HOMEWORK: Write a short text comparing W. Shakespearwe's sonnet and Adele's When we were young.