

Walt Whitman

Walt Whitman is one America's most influential poets. He wrote about an idyllic vision of democracy and America's future during the late 1800's. The poem below was written for Abraham Lincoln.

In literature, the theme is the main idea or moral of a story. Typically, the theme of a story conveys a message or lesson about life. The theme is generally not stated outright, but rather represented by the story's characters and their actions, as well as symbols and motifs throughout. Read the poem below and describe its theme on a separate sheet of paper.

O Captain! my Captain!

O CAPTAIN! my Captain! our fearful trip is done;
The ship has weather'd every rack, the prize we sought is won;
The port is near, the bells I hear, the people all exulting,
While follow eyes the steady keel, the vessel grim and daring:
 But O heart! heart! heart!
 O the bleeding drops of red,
 Where on the deck my Captain lies,
 Fallen cold and dead.

O Captain! my Captain! rise up and hear the bells;
Rise up—for you the flag is flung—for you the bugle trills;
For you bouquets and ribbon'd wreaths—for you the shores a-crowding;
For you they call, the swaying mass, their eager faces turning;
 Here Captain! dear father!
 This arm beneath your head;
 It is some dream that on the deck,
 You've fallen cold and dead.

My Captain does not answer, his lips are pale and still;
My father does not feel my arm, he has no pulse nor will;
The ship is anchor'd safe and sound, its voyage closed and done;
From fearful trip, the victor ship, comes in with object won;
 Exult, O shores, and ring, O bells!
 But I, with mournful tread,
 Walk the deck my Captain lies,
 Fallen cold and dead.



Name: _____

Class: _____

Addition

Find the sum.

$$\begin{array}{r} 1. \quad \$54.46 \\ + \quad 49.06 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2. \quad \$93.00 \\ + \quad 94.67 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3. \quad \$52.83 \\ + \quad 28.41 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4. \quad \$28.70 \\ + \quad 61.82 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5. \quad \$27.56 \\ + \quad 67.64 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6. \quad \$18.48 \\ + \quad 6.62 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 7. \quad \$85.06 \\ + \quad 83.29 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 8. \quad \$41.23 \\ + \quad 12.12 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 9. \quad \$75.77 \\ + \quad 74.48 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 10. \quad \$3.59 \\ + \quad 49.46 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 11. \quad \$77.06 \\ + \quad 98.56 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 12. \quad \$16.24 \\ + \quad 48.60 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 13. \quad \$88.39 \\ + \quad 1.22 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 14. \quad \$84.64 \\ + \quad 17.48 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 15. \quad \$28.70 \\ + \quad 78.18 \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$$

How to Write a Biopoem

(Line 1) First name

(Line 2) Three or four adjectives that describe the person

(Line 3) Important relationship (daughter of . . . , mother of . . . , etc)

(Line 4) Two or three things, people, or ideas that the person loved

(Line 5) Three feelings the person experienced

(Line 6) Three fears the person experienced

(Line 7) Accomplishments (who composed . . . , who discovered . . . , etc.)

(Line 8) Two or three things the person wanted to see happen or wanted to experience

(Line 9) His or her residence

(Line 10) Last name

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Biopoem Sample

Rosa

Determined, brave, strong, loving

Wife of Raymond Parks, mother of all children

Who loved equality, freedom, and the benefits of a good education

Who hated discrimination, loved to stand up for her beliefs, and loved to help others

Who feared that racism would continue, feared losing the opportunity to make a difference, and feared that young people might lose opportunities to develop strength and courage

Who changed history as she accomplished great strides for equality and encouraged excellence for all

Who wanted to see love triumph and see an end to all bias and discrimination in a world in which respect is freely given to all

Born in Alabama and living in Detroit

Parks

AMAZING Saints

Amazing Stories
Outside Your

ST. DUNSTAN WROTE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER:
"I DUNSTAN, BEG THE MERCIFUL CHRIST TO PROTECT ME, LEST THE STORMS OF THE UNDERWORLD SWALLOW ME UP."

HE WAS NEVER AFFECTED BY A WEATHER-RELATED STORM, BUT DUNSTAN CERTAINLY EXPERIENCED HIS SHARE OF OTHER STORMS FROM WHICH HE SOUGHT OUR LORD'S PROTECTION. HE WAS SO SMART AND TALENTED, SOME PEOPLE FEARED HE MIGHT HAVE EVIL MAGICAL POWERS, BUT HE DIDN'T.

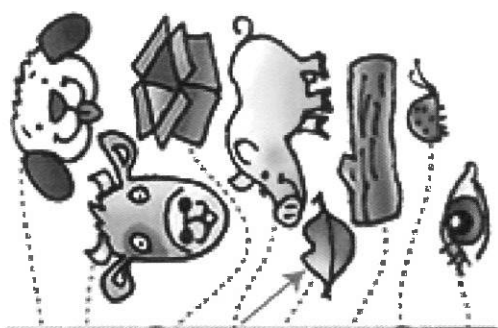
AS A MONK, **DUNSTAN** DEVOTED MUCH OF HIS LIFE TO PRAYER. HE BUILT AND SUPERVISED MONASTERIES - THE PLACES WHERE MONKS PRAY AND LEARN. SINCE HE WAS ARTISTIC, HE ENCOURAGED PRIESTS TO LEARN AN ART OR CRAFT, TOO. BECAUSE HE WAS SO BRIGHT AND SO SPIRITUAL, CIVIC LEADERS AND CHURCH LEADERS SOUGHT AND FOLLOWED HIS ADVICE. BY THE TIME HE DIED AT THE AGE OF 74, HIS GOODNESS AND WISDOM WITHSTOOD MANY STORMS, AND MADE AN IMPACT THROUGHOUT DIFFERENT PARTS OF ENGLAND.



MARK

SPREAD THE DEVOTION This saint is well known for spreading the devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, devotion to Mary and the rosary. Use the code below to decipher his name.

A-Q H-L M-G R-X
 C-V I-F N-W S-U
 E-K L-P O-D T-J



V Q F W J
 G X B
 Q W J Z D W B
 V P Q X K J

The Short Prayer What is it called when we use a short prayer to praise God? Use the picture clues above to fill in the words. Then write the circled letters in order on the lines.

BE THIS St. Paul tells us that we should be this at all times. What is it? Start at the star and move around the circle writing every third letter on the lines.

1 2 3 4 5 3 6 5

A O I T F M
 D S T O R I G

7 8 9 9 4 10 11 9 3 10 5

ARM
 DOGS
 CANE
 TENT
 TRIO

JESUS said in St. Matthew's Gospel, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." What did Jesus call this statement? Fill in the grid using the words next to it. Then, match the numbered letters to the lines above.