

Summer Poems to Consider



Bee! I'm expecting you!

Morning Song
June

How Many Seconds in a Minute?

The Pleasures of Friendship

Canal Bank Walk

Shakespeare at School

My Mother Saw a Dancing Bear

Originally

My Shadow

Today is Very Boring

Apples

Fireflies in the Garden

Everything is Going to be All Right

The Meadow Mouse

Shall I Compare Thee to A Summer's Day?

Emily Dickinson Sara Teasdale John Updike Christina Rossetti Stevie Smith Patrick Kavanagh Wendy Cope **Charles Causley** Carol Ann Duffy Robert Louis Stevenson Jack Prelutsky Laurie Lee Robert Frost Derek Mahon Theodore Roethke Paul Laurence Dunbar Kae Tempest William Shakespeare **Jennifer Gunner Thomas Moore**



Summer in the South

The Last School Bell

Watching My Dog Sleep

The Last Rose of Summer







Bee, I'm expecting you!

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Was saying Yesterday
To Somebody you know
That you were due—

The Frogs got Home last Week—
Are settled, and at work—
Birds, mostly back—
The Clover warm and thick—

You'll get my Letter by The seventeenth; Reply Or better, be with me— Yours, Fly.

Emily Dickinson



Considerations when responding to texts

Setting	Based on the text, what can you tell about where the action takes place?
	Comment on the opening of the piece. How does it begin? Do you like it? Does it grab your attention?
Narration	From what viewpoint is the text told?
	Is it first or third person?
Characterisation	Identify each character (people, animals etc)
	What are your impressions of each character? Find evidence in the extract to support your points.
Dialogue	Is there dialogue?
	Examine the conversations/dialogue.
,	How would you describe these? Support your answer with evidence.
Mood/Atmosphere	What kind of mood or atmosphere is evident?
	What shapes your impression of this mood/atmosphere?
	Pick out examples and explain.
Descriptive Language	Can you find examples of figurative language?
	For example: • similes (comparisons using 'like' or 'as')
	metaphors (direct comparisons)
	• Imagery
	Personification
	Symbolism
	What impact do these have on you?
Storytelling / Genre	Having read this text, could you write a sequel or change the ending?
	Do you like the title of the piece? Could you suggest an alternative title?
	What impact did this text have on you? Could you relate to it?