Writing Theme of a story or poem

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What is theme?

- Theme is the central idea of a literary text
- Theme is not what happens in the text but what those happenings or images imply
- Theme is actually the idea that lies beneath the surface of the poem

Theme of Blow Blow Thou Winter wind

The main theme of this song is man's inhumanity towards other fellow beings. Man is so ungrateful and selfish that he doesn't care for those who were his close to friendship. He doesn't remember them once his purpose is served. Winter is harsh but the harshness of winter wind is not as bitter as man's ingratitude to man

Image of Blow Blow Thou Winter Wind

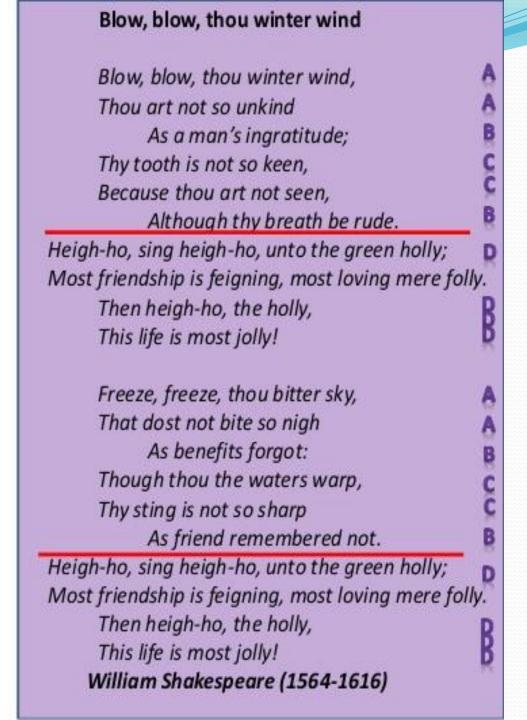


Tone

To a certain extent I'm going to have to leave this to you. It depends how you interpret it: is he bitter and then deeply sarcastic or is this someone who is carrying resentment, but trying to look at things positively?

Themes

As above, this is about the power of human relationships and the bitterness of betrayal. We've also obviously got the theme of nature being used to convey a message about human emotions and the impact of sour relations/friendship.



Thank You!

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