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Poetry Worksheet

Pretty Is That Pretty Does by Alice Cary



A. Read to understand

1. Summarize the poem "*Pretty is that pretty does*".

B. Answer these questions.

1. What is the mood of this poem?

2. Why is the spider moving quietly?

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3. How does the spider gets her dinner?

4. Why does the poet consider the spider's appearance misleading?

5. What does the poet mean when she says "*Pretty is which pretty does, and that worth does not go nor stay for poverty nor splendour*"?

C. Discuss

1. Do you think the poet admires or dislikes spiders?

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2. How does a spider captures its prey? (Some research is necessary).

D. Read to appreciate

Read the poem again and see how the poet ends every line in the poem with words that rhyme. Write down any pairs of rhyming words from the poem. Then, add one word of your own that rhymes with each pair. Also, determine the rhyming scheme of this poem.
