

5 Point Summative Assessment: The Road Not Taken

Basic Understanding Questions (20 %)

Choose 4/5 of the following questions to answer in short form. (5 points each)

Define the following words in English:

1. Perhaps _____
2. Trodden _____

Answer:

3. Where and when does the poem take place? _____

4. What choice does the speaker have to make? _____

5. What does "somewhere ages and ages hence" mean in the _____

HOTS Questions (40 %)

Choose 3/4 of the following questions to answer in long form. Explain your answers thoroughly. Your answers should be at least 3 full sentences. (15 points each)

1. What is a metaphor? What is an extended metaphor? What is the extended metaphor in this poem?

2. What are the two ways to interpret this poem? Which one do you think is correct? Why? _____

3. Why do you think the speaker says he will be telling the story of the two roads with a "sigh" in the future? What are the different ways to interpret a sigh?

4. Why does the speaker look down the road? Does it help? Why or why not?

5. What does it mean when the poem says "how way leads on way"? Why does that make the speaker doubt if he will go back?

Bridging Text and Context (20 %)

Read the following passage. In a paragraph of 80-120 words, explain how it adds to your understanding of the poem.

Robert Frost's biographer describes him as a man of contradictions.
On the one hand, he was an individual who wanted to do things his way.
On the other hand, he wanted to be accepted by others, to "fit in".

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Good Luck! Take the road less traveled!