

1. What is the main theme of the poem "Let Me Not to the Marriage of True Minds"?

- A. Jealousy in love
- B. Constancy in true love
- C. The joy of first love
- D. Love after betrayal (B)

Explanation: The poem emphasizes that true love remains constant and unchanging regardless of circumstances.

2. Which of the following is described as a guiding symbol in the poem?

- A. Sun
- B. Moon
- C. Star
- D. Fire (C)

Explanation: Love is compared to a star that guides every wandering bark (ship), symbolizing constancy and direction.

3. What does the poet mean by "Love is not love / Which alters when it alteration finds"?

- A. Love should adapt to changes
- B. Love is always conditional
- C. True love does not change when circumstances change
- D. Love is unpredictable (C)

Explanation: The poet argues that genuine love stays the same even when external situations change.

4. What literary device is used in "Love's not Time's fool"?

- A. Simile
- B. Alliteration
- C. Personification
- D. Irony (C)

Explanation: Time is personified as a trickster or master, but love is not deceived or controlled by it.

5. What does "his bending sickle's compass" refer to?

- A. A farmer's tool
- B. The destructive reach of Time
- C. A sailor's navigation
- D. The flexibility of love (B)

Explanation: This phrase metaphorically describes Time's sickle cutting down beauty and youth, but not true love.

6. What does the poet declare in the closing couplet if his statements about love are proven wrong?

- A. He will stop writing
- B. Love will die
- C. No one has ever truly loved
- D. Poetry will become meaningless (C)

Explanation: He declares that if he is wrong, then no man has ever truly loved.

7. What form does the poem follow?

- A. Ode
- B. Shakespearean sonnet
- C. Ballad
- D. Limerick (B)

Explanation: The poem is Sonnet 116, written in the Shakespearean sonnet form with 14 lines and a set rhyme scheme.

8. In the poem, what does the "ever-fixed mark" symbolize?

- A. A lighthouse
- B. The North Star
- C. Constant and unwavering love
- D. A mountain peak (C)

Explanation: The "ever-fixed mark" is a metaphor for love that remains unshaken even during challenges.

9. What is the purpose of using multiple negations in the poem?

- A. To show confusion
- B. To build suspense
- C. To strongly assert what love is not
- D. To rhyme with the next line (C)

Explanation: The poet uses negatives to emphasize what true love is by clearly rejecting false notions.

10. What question is raised in the "Try This Out" section regarding the word "bark"?

- A. Is it used as an animal sound?
- B. Does it mean skin?
- C. Is it a tree part?
- D. Is it used to mean a ship? (D)

Explanation: The word "bark" in the poem refers to a ship, highlighting love as a guiding star for it.