

In Memory of W. B. Yeats Theme

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Themes:

- **Death and Loss:** The poem talks about Yeats' death and how it affects the world and people around him.
- **The Power of Poetry:** Auden says that poetry may not change events, but it stays alive and gives meaning to life.
- **Human Frailty:** The poem shows that even great poets like Yeats are human and face weakness and sickness.
- **Legacy of a Poet:** It highlights how Yeats' words and poetry live on in the minds of readers, even after his death.
- **Suffering in the World:** Auden describes the sadness and pain in the world but believes poetry can help people heal.