
Tradition and Individual Talent Literary Device

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Symbols:

- **Platinum:** Eliot talks about platinum to explain the poet's role. Like platinum helps chemicals mix without changing itself, the poet helps create a poem without adding their own feelings.
- **Chemical Reaction:** This shows how poetry is made. The poet's mind mixes emotions, like chemicals in a reaction, to make the poem. But the poet stays separate, like platinum, in the reaction.