

Tradition and Individual Talent Theme

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Themes:

- **Tradition and New Talent:** Eliot says good poetry comes from a mix of tradition and new ideas. Poets should learn from the past but also bring their own style.
- **Impersonal Poetry:** Eliot believes poetry should not be about the poet's personal feelings. Instead, poetry should be about bigger ideas and emotions that everyone can understand.
- **Respect for the Past:** Poets must know and respect past works. The best poets feel connected to the past while creating something new.
- **Emotion and Art:** Eliot says poetry should organize emotions, not just show raw feelings. The poet takes feelings and turns them into art that lasts.