



**'The Tyger' by William Blake**

**Summarise what the poem is about in full sentences:**

**Annotate the poem with points you remember from your initial study:**

**The Tyger**

Tyger, Tuger, burning bright,  
In the forests of the night:  
What immortal hand or eye  
Could frame thy fearful symmetry?

In what distant deeps or skies  
Burnt the fire of thing eyes?  
On what wings dare he aspire?  
What the hand dare seize the fire?

And what shoulder, and what art,  
Could twist the sinews of thy heart?  
And when thy heart began to beat,  
What dread hand? And what dread feet?

What the hammer? what the chain,  
In what furnace was thy brain?  
What the anvil? What dread grasp  
Dare its deadly terros clasp!

When the stars threw down their spears  
And water'd heaven with their tears:  
Did he smile his work to see?  
Did he who made the Lamb make thee?

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**What is the background to the writing of 'The Tyger'?**

**What is Blake's intention in writing this poem?**

When was this poem written?

What events might have influenced Blake to write this poem?

to explore

to question

to warn

to wonder about

Language		Structure and form	
	Example and effect		Example and effect
Alliteration		Rhyming couplets	
Metaphor		Rhythm	
Conjunction		Repetition	
Images of industry		Questions	
Personification		Enjambment	
Religious imagery		Punctuation	

**What other poems in the anthology can we link to this poem to and why?**

**What ideas about creation does Blake raise through his poem 'The Tyger'?**