Investigate!
Metaphysical poetry:
George Herbert, Affliction I

- **Setting the scene:**
  - Who does Herbert see as responsible for his sufferings?
  - Look at the final stanza. Is it about rebellion or submission or both?
  - What is the poet’s deepest desire?

- **Going deeper:**
  - Read through Affliction I.
  - What phrases does Herbert use in the poem to suggest that much of his earlier devotion to God was conditional?
  - How has his response changed?

- **Themes:**
  - Look at the themes of Affliction I
  - How does Herbert’s early easy existence make him vulnerable when problems come?
  - What words or phrases suggest the lack of coherence in Herbert's life?

- **Imagery and symbolism:**
  - Look through the notes on Herbert’s use of metonymy in Affliction I
    - Why ‘lingering’ (l.39)?
    - What does ‘book’ represent in ‘None of my books will show’ (l.56)?

- **Language and tone:**
  - In Affliction I ‘there is also the language of suffering’
    - Pick out words and phrases that suggest Herbert’s suffering
    - Pick out words that suggest what effect this suffering had on him

- **Structure and versification:**
  - Re-read Herbert’s Affliction I
    - What comes over to you about Herbert’s honesty?
    - In this I-thou dialogue, does Herbert give God a chance to reply?
      - Or is he all too aware of what God is doing anyway?
    - What would you want to question about Herbert’s account of his life so far?
    - As readers, we have an idea of the next chapter in Herbert’s life
      - Does this create for you any dramatic ironies?
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