

- 1) What is your major takeaway from Dickinson's poem? What is the main idea you think the poet tries to convey? Please use textual evidence to support your answer.
- 2) What are the main ideas in Emerson's selected Introduction and Chapter 1 from his prose work *Nature*? What are some passages you find interesting, challenging, and/or confusing? Why? Please make sure you use textual examples to support your answer.
- 3) What are the similarities and differences in the selected Dickinson's and Emerson's works in addressing the relationship between humans and their nonhuman environment? Since the texts are written in different genres--poetry and prose, how do you think these two genres function differently in terms of *how* the ideas are delivered to the reader? Please use textual evidence to support your answer.

Readings:

Dickinson "I started Early-took my dog":

<https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems/50976/i-started-early-took-my-dog-656>

Emerson "Nature" (ONLY READ INTRODUCTION AND CHAPTER 1):

<https://www.gutenberg.org/files/29433/29433-h/29433-h.htm#1>