

# **POETRY ANALYSIS**

**I WANDERED LONELY AS A CLOUD  
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# VOCABULARY MATCHING

- to wander
- To flutter
- A breeze
- The Milky way
- The margin
- A glance
- Sprightly
- Vacant
- To gaze
- Pensive
- Solitude

a light wind

the edge of a place or thing

the state of being completely alone

done with a lot of energy

to look for a long time

seeming to be thinking carefully

to travel without a particular direction

to move with quick, light movements

a quick look

looking as if you do not understand

a group of stars and planets

# RHYME SCHEME

A **rhyme scheme** is the [pattern](#) of rhymes at the end of each line of a [poem](#) or [song](#). It is usually referred to by using letters to indicate which lines [rhyme](#); lines designated with the same letter all rhyme with each other.

Bid me to weep, and I will weep	A
While I have eyes to see	B
And having none, yet I will keep	A
A heart to weep for thee	B

**I wandered lonely as a cloud  
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,  
When all at once I saw a crowd,  
A host, of golden daffodils;  
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,  
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.**

***Work out the rhyme scheme for this stanza***

# FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE

simile

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personification

Find at least TWO other words that make daffodils look human.

Continuous **as the stars that shine**  
And twinkle on the milky way,  
They stretched in **never-ending line**  
Along the margin of a bay:  
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,  
**Tossing their heads** in sprightly dance.

simile

personification

- The waves beside them danced, but they  
Out-did the sparkling waves in glee;  
A poet could not be but gay,  
In such a jocund company!  
I gazed—and gazed—but little thought  
What wealth the show to me had brought:

personification

Repetition. What does it emphasise?

- For oft, when on my couch I lie  
In vacant or in pensive mood,  
They flash upon that **inward eye**  
Which is the bliss of solitude;  
And then **my heart** with pleasure fills,  
And **dances** with the daffodils.



metaphor



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