

# TP-CASTT

	Description	Notes
<b><u>T</u>itle</b>	Consider the title and predict what the poem is about.	
<b><u>P</u>araphrase</b>	Put the poem into your own words. Make sure you tell what is happening at the beginning, middle, and end. Tell what is really happening, not what the poet is figuratively saying.	
<b><u>C</u>onnotation</b>	Look at the poem beyond the actual events. Look for figurative language, imagery, etc.	
<b><u>A</u>ttitude (Tone)</b>	What is the speaker's tone? Is there more than one attitude or tone in different parts of the poem?	
<b><u>S</u>hifts</b>	Are there any changes in the speaker or attitude? Look for key words, time change, and punctuation.	
<b><u>T</u>itle again</b>	Look at the title again. Why is the title important to the poem?	
<b><u>T</u>heme</b>	What is the theme about? What is the poet saying about the subject? What message is the poet trying to send?	