

“When I Was One-and-Twenty”

1. Because this poem is a **ballad**, it tells a story about what type of experience?
2. Review your notes on the **ballad**. What specific elements in the poem reveal that it is a ballad? Consider rhyme scheme, meter, narrative, characters, and other qualities.
3. Does the speaker’s **tone** towards the wise man change? How? Use precise adjectives to describe his attitude.
4. Compose a **theme** statement for the poem. Remember that theme must assert an idea about the human experience.