

Key Word Study

Part One: Research the etymology of these key words, paying special attention to the connection to other images and ideas in the poem.

1A. chronic (Pay special attention to the Greek root.)

1B. Research the myth of Cronus, also known as Kronos. Record your findings here.

2. austere

3. offices

Part Two: The poet makes several other important references to time throughout the poem. What do you associate with each of these references? Jot down everything that comes to mind when you think of these words. Make an effort to move your thinking beyond the literal level.

Winter

Sundays

early (morning)