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'She Walks in Beauty' by Lord Byron

Summarise what the poem is about in full sentences:

Annotate the poem with points you can remember from your initial study:

She walks in beauty, like the night
Of cloudless climes and starry skies;
And all that's best of dark and bright
Meet in her aspect and her eyes:
Thus mellowed to that tender light
Which Heaven to gaudy day denies.

One shade the more, one ray the less,
Had half impaired the nameless grace
Which waves in every raven tress,
Or softly lightens o'er her face;
Where thoughts serenely sweet express,
How pure, how dear their dwelling-place.

And on that cheek, and o'er that brow,
So soft, so calm, yet eloquent,
The smiles that win, the tints that glow,
But tell of days in goodness spent,
A mind at peace with all below,
A heart whose love is innocent!

Complete the following questions on context:

- 1) Why is it important to know that Byron's a romantic poet?
- 2) How does Byron's feelings towards people's background and education influence his poem?
- 3) How is this shown in the poem?

Complete each analytical verb with a different idea:

- Lord Byron may have written the poem:
- to criticise
 - to teach
 - to warn
 - to reveal the importance of
 - to celebrate

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Annotate the following quotations by answering the questions for each:

- 1) What does the line mean?
- 2) What does the line suggest?
- 3) How has Lord Byron used language to present his social beliefs?

'Of cloudless climes and starry skies;'

'Which Heaven to gaudy day denies'

'One shade the more, one ray the less,'

*'A mind at peace with all below,
A heart whose love is innocent!'*

How does Lord Byron present admiration in the poem?

Answer in full sentences.