

Graphic Organizers for Active Reading

Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening

Robert Frost

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More Than a Winter's Ride

Re-read Frost's poem. It is deceptively simple. Consider the adjectives Frost uses to describe the woods. Beside each of the adjectives below, explain how the word works on a literal level—that is, what facts it tells about the woods. Then explain how each adjective works on a figurative or symbolic level. What more, other than factual information, do you think each word suggests about the woods?

	Literal Level	Figurative or Symbolic Level
"lovely"		
"dark"		
"deep"		

1. How would the mood of the poem change if Frost had not described the woods as "dark" and "deep"?

2. How is this poem about more than just stopping near some woods? Explain.
