**“Sonnet 30 & 75” – Analysis Questions**

Sonnet 30

1. Do you agree with the speaker that love can grow stronger in the face of rejection, while cold indifference often grows stronger in the face of passion? Is the speaker describing a universal experience or just his own personal heartache? Explain.
2. Does the couplet in this sonnet suggest that the speaker has overcome the heartache expressed in the previous quatrains? Explain.

Sonnet 75

1. Is “Sonnet 75” about the power of love, or is it really about the power of poetry? Explain.
2. Do you agree with the speaker that love or even fame can overcome death? Explain. What do you think is the best way for a person to be remembered or to achieve lasting fame?

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1. In these two sonnets, how would you characterize the speaker’s views about the following:
	* A beloved woman?
	* The power of love?
2. Which speaker’s idea about love seems more modern, and why?