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PLOTTSS Note-Taking Form

Instructions: For the assigned poem, complete the following steps of PLOTTSS. Notes are to be handwritten, and confined to this page (front and back) only.

"A Poison Tree" by William Blake

I was angry with my friend:
I told my wrath, my wrath did end.
I was angry with my foe:
I told it not, my wrath did grow.

And I watered it in fears
Night and morning with my tears,
And I sunned it with smiles
And with soft deceitful wiles.

And it grew both day and night,
Till it bore an apple bright,
And my foe beheld it shine,
And he knew that it was mine -

And into my garden stole
When the night had veiled the pole;
In the morning, glad, I see
My foe outstretched beneath the tree.

Poem printed from
<http://www.online-literature.com/blake/622/>

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Paraphrase

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**Language
(Diction,
Imagery,
Details,
Figurative Language)**

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O Occasion/Organization	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
T Tone (2-3 words!)	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
T Theme	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
S Subject	Context (2 words): <hr/> Subtext (2 words): <hr/>
S Speaker	Free hint: the speaker is not the poet—describe the kind of person speaking, or how he/she is connected to the matter of the poem. <hr/>

Sources consulted (please list by website or publication name, or the names of people):

Space for additional notes, concerns, questions you still have: