

## **“The Lamb”**

- 1. Who is the speaker?**
- 2. To whom is he speaking?**
- 3. What details of description of the lamb are given in the first stanza?**
- 4. To whom does the pronoun “he” in the second stanza refer?**
- 5. What is the rhyme scheme of the poem?**
- 6. Find examples of lines which are repeated or are similar.**
- 7. What effect do the rhyme scheme and repetitions create?**
- 8. What are the details of the lamb's description?**
- 9. What are the details of the Christ's description?**
- 10. What do the words “stream”, “mead” (line 4 ) and “vales” (line 8 ) bring to mind?**
- 11. How can we describe the vocabulary in the poem?**
- 12. All the sentences in the first stanza are questions. Are they answered? Where?**
- 13. The symbolism of the poem is based on the image of Christ and two of the names by which he is often called. What are they? Which qualities of Christ do these two names indicate?**
- 14. How do the sound and language of the poem add to its meaning?**
- 15. Give at least two adjectives to describe the tone of the poem.**
- 16. How are the child-speaker, the lamb, and Christ "the Lamb" set in relation to one another? Why is it so easy for the child to identify the lamb's creator, and so easy to invoke God's blessing on the lamb?**