“Endymion” by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow AND “The Lady of Shalott” by Alfred Lord Tennyson

1. How many stanzas does the poem have? It has 9 stanzas.

2. What is similar about the structure of all the stanzas in this poem?
   - The rhyme structure is AA, BB, etc.
   - The second set of lines are indented.

3. Look at stanza 1. What does the poet compare the rays of the moon to?
   - He compares them to golden bars.

4. Give an example of another visual imagery that the poet uses.
   - "silver while the river gleams..."

5. What does Diana’s kiss symbolize?
   - It symbolizes love.

6. What is half rhyme or slant rhyme? Give an example.
   - It is lines that don’t rhyme perfectly.
     - An example is eyes/destinies

7. How does the poet create a mood of reassurance and hope in lines 29-32?
   - The poet states that no one is accursed by fate and utterly desolate everyone will find someone to love.
8. If the subject of "Endymion" is love, what tone does the poem convey about this subject? What features of the poem help show the tone?

The tone seems hopeful and optimistic about love.

"The Lady of Shalott"

9. What can you infer about the dwelling or home of the Lady of Shalott?

She lives on a lonely island.

10. What is the mood of the first three stanzas? It seems melancholy and somber.

11. What might the web that she weaves symbolize? Lines 28-36 It could symbolize loneliness and solitude.

12. What imagery is used in lines 28-36 to create Lady Shalott's mood? The poem refers to a curse and her steady weaving. (46-54)

13. What is the line that best illustrates the theme of loneliness and solitude? She hath no loyal knight and true, the Lady of Shalott.
14. When the Lady of Shalott says, "I am half sick of shadows," how is her use of the word shadows both figurative and literal?

- It's figurative because the shadows represent her loneliness.
- It's literal because of the dark and gloomy place she lives.

15. What symbol represents bad luck? The broken mirror represents bad luck.

16. To whom does 'they' refer in line 107? What is the point of view of this poem? The pronoun "they" refers to the people of Camelot. Point of view is 3rd person.

17. What is the tone of this poem? Provide three words that contribute to the tone. It is somber and sad. Curse, remote, shadows.

18. How is the topic of love portrayed differently in "Endymion" and "The Lady of Shalott"? Provide examples from both poems to support your opinion.

In Endymion, the poem is about how great it is to be in love and how love eventually finds everyone at some point. "No one is accursed by fate,"

"The Lady of Shalott" talks about the curse of never finding love. "Singing in her songs, she died."