CAVALIER POETRY HERRICK, SUCKLING, & LOVELACE

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- 1. What was Herrick's profession?
- 2. Why did he lose his position at Dean Prior in Devonshire?
- 3. What was the name of Herrick's book of poetry? From where does the name come?
- 4. What is the theme of "To the Virgins, to Make Much of Time"?
- 5. What is the rhyme scheme of the poem?
- 6. What is an example of *personification* in the poem?
- 7. What *metaphor* does Herrick use to describe the sun?
- 8. To what is the second stanza alluding to?
- 9. When does the speaker of the poem say is the best time of our lives?
- 10. What advice does the speaker of the poem give to the virgins in the last stanza? Why?
- 11. What is a Royalist?
- 12. What was the nickname for a Royalist?
- 13. What was the nickname for a supporter of Parliament?
- 14. What literary goal did the Cavalier poets have?
- 15. What advice does the speaker of "Why So Pale and Wan, Fond Lover" give to the pale lover?
- 16. What is the speaker of "To Lucasta" preparing to do?
- 17. Who is the speaker's "new mistress"?
- 18. Why does the speaker say his love should not be angry about his going to war?
- 19. Where is the speaker of "To Althea"?
- 20. To what is love compared to in stanza 1?
- 21. What are two words that express freedom in stanza 1?
- 22. What are two words that express imprisonment in stanza 1?
- 23. Why do you think Lovelace uses these contrasting images at the beginning of his poem?
- 24. In stanza 1, whom does the speaker say he is freer than?
- 25. What makes the speaker feel free in stanza 2?
- 26. To what is his loyalty compared?
- 27. In stanza 2, what does the speaker say he is freer than?
- 28. What simile does he use in line one of stanza 3? What is he comparing?
- 29. What song does the speaker sing?
- 30. In stanza 3, what does the speaker say he is freer than?
- 31. What paradox does the poem present at the beginning of stanza 4?
- 32. Who does the speaker say is freer than he? Why would this be so?
- 33. What is the refrain of the poem?