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“Because I Could Not Stop For Death" Questions 1-3”

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1a. In the first two lines, the adverb that defines Death’s actions is “kindly.”

1b. This is ironic because usually Death is depicted as evil or menacing. Instead, Death is being portrayed as kind and nice.

2a. The three scenes the carriage passes are the school, the field and the setting sun.

2b. At the school, this represents youth, childhood and the newness of life. Then, the field represents midlife and then the graveyard with the setting sun represents the end of life. These scenes attribute to the cycles of life.

3a. For the speaker in the poem, centuries pass for the speaker.

3b. I think the speaker notes that the time feels shorter than the Day because life lives a lifetime. Life is short but is the longest thing you’d experience. Furthermore, time in eternity feels very short.

3c. The speaker sees the recommence in both the experience of death and life. Both are journeys that you have to take, and it is something you should not worry about