

Name _____ **Reading Poetry**

DIRECTIONS: Read the poem out loud. Answer the questions.

1. What is the main idea of the poem?

- To live your life like the oak
- That a human life has the same seasons as nature
- Both of the above

2. Which lines of the poem are representative of human youth?

3. Which lines of the poem convey that the oak is steadfast and strong despite the changes that life brings?



The oak

Live thy Life
Young and old,
Like yon oak,
Bright in spring,
Living gold;

Summer-rich
And then
Autumn-changed
Soberer-hued
Gold again.

All his leaves
Fall'n at length
Look, he stands,
Trunk and bough
Naked strength.

ALFRED LORD TENNYSON