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Adrift! A Little Boat Adrift!

A Poem on Hope

-By Emily Dickinson



I. Questions & Answers:

1. What is the poem about?
2. What does the speaker mean by the word 'dusk'?
3. Explain the second stanza of the poem focusing on the journey of the boat.
4. Why is the boat 'exultant' at the end of the poem?
5. The speaker metaphorically compares human beings to a 'little boat' floating without a guide at sea. Explain.

II. Think & Answer

1. In a way, being adrift at sea is a lot like being alone without company. What do you think the poem tells us about the state of being alone when we feel that society is far away?
2. An allegory is a story or poem with two meanings-one on the surface, and another hidden as symbols or ideas. Would you say this poem is an allegory? Give reasons.
