Poetry Inspiration

Inspiration Source

"The Road Not Taken" by Robert Frost

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

7 shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and 7—
7 took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.

https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems/44272/the-road-not-taken

Leading Questions

Description:

This poem by the late Robert Frost puts to verse the internal struggle that comes before making a big decision. The poet weighs each road and notes their fairness, though there is one many would regard as the better one. At the conclusion, the poet chooses to take the unfamiliar road and finds it all the more meaningful.

Discussion:

Is the less traveled road always the right road? Or are there times the well-traveled road is the correct path?

Is doing what is choosing comfort and security better than discomfort and forging into the unknown?

Has there been a time in your life where you have taken the road less traveled? What was the result?