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## **Analysis of “First Rain” from “Out of the Dust”**

**Subject matter** - what is the poem about?

**Theme** - what is the message of the poem?

**Emotions** - what is the tone? Mood?

**Poetic devices** - Look for figurative language and sound devices.

- Alliteration -
- Assonance -
- Consonance -
- Onomatopoeia -
- Simile -
- Metaphor -
- Personification -
- Allusion -
- Symbolism -

**Understanding** - what do you think it all means?

**Positioning** - look at the graphic elements in the poem.

Capitalization -

Punctuation -

Line breaks -

Word position/White space -

**Who could the speaker possibly be? What clues give you a hint to his or her identity?**

**What is the poem's setting? What line of the poem tells you this?**

**What kind of imagery do you see in the poem (smell, touch, taste, sound, sight)?  
Identify some examples.**

**What is the most important line of the poem? Identify it and explain why it is the most important line.**