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Of Revenge Close Reading

Objective: To understand thematic ideas about revenge in Bacon's essay.

Directions: Provide quotes from "Of Revenge" that provide answers to the question.

1. What does Bacon believe is the connection between the law and revenge?
2. What is Bacon's belief about people's responses when others offend them?
3. What are reasons Bacon gives for why people wrong one another?
4. What are two different types of presentation of revenge?
5. What does Bacon believe about taking revenge on a friend vs. an enemy?
6. What does Bacon believe about taking revenge in public vs. Private?

Value Lines

Objective: Compare themes of revenge in paired texts Of Revenge and Poe's Cask of Amontillado.

Directions: With the value lines below, mark and label where Bacon might be on the belief about revenge. Do the same with Montresor from Cask of Amontillado.

1. The law replaces the need to take revenge.

Agree

Meh

Disagree

2. People should seek revenge when someone wrongs them.

Agree

Meh

Disagree

3. We should seek revenge on friends the same way we seek revenge on an enemy.

Agree

Meh

Disagree

4. Public revenge should be carried out instead of private revenge.

Agree

Meh

Disagree