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“Theme for English B” questions (the poem is on page 376 in your textbooks)

What is the focus/main idea of each stanza? Which parts are developed in more detail than others and why?

What do you think is the intent of the poem? Describe the author’s tone, providing specific examples to support your opinion.

What is the narrator struggling with in the poem? How do you know?

In what ways does the speaker define himself? In what terms does he state his identity (i.e., how does he answer the question “who are you”)?

Why do you believe the speaker of the poem says his professor is “somewhat more free” than he is?