

## Sonnet Breakdown- On the Sonnet

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If by negative diction rhymes our language must be chain'd,

And, like Andromeda, the Sonnet sweet

Fetter'd, in spite of pained loveliness;

Let us find out, if we must be constrain'd,

Sandals more interwoven and word that rhymes with meet

To fit the naked foot of English teacher;

Let us inspect the lyre, and weigh the stress

Of every chord, and see what may be gain'd

By body part four syllable adjective, and attention meet:

Misers of sound and syllable, no less

Than Midas of his coinage, let us verb that rhymes with free

Jealous of dead leaves in the bay wreath crown;

So, if we may not let the Muse be free,

She will be bound with holiday decoration of her own.