# “High School Training Ground”

1. READ THE FIRST STANZA. Find: two similes and label them, one metaphor, one allusion. Then discuss and take notes on what he is trying to say when he uses them.
2. READ THE SECOND STANZA again. Find: two metaphors and label them. Then discuss and take notes on what he is trying to say when he uses them. Label the word that he repeats. Discuss WHY. What is he emphasizing?
3. READ THE THIRD STANZA again. Find one example of personification and label it. Discuss and take notes on what he means.
4. READ THE FOURTH STANZA again. Write down his main idea in the left side margin.
5. READ THE FINAL STANZA again. Why is the ending ironic? Discuss and write down notes with your group.

\*\*\*Now complete the two tasks with your group and the two questions.