

# Literary Analysis

## MOOD

**Mood** is the feeling or atmosphere that a writer creates for a reader. For example, the mood of a poem might be *cheerful*, *gloomy*, *playful*, or *intense*. The following elements help create the mood of a work:

- **Diction** includes the word choices that create a strong feeling or atmosphere.
- **Imagery** suggests a mood by appealing to the senses.
- **Sound devices** like rhyme and alliteration can create different musical moods.
- **Parallelism** repeats words or phrases to create a rhythm.

**Directions:** Complete the chart to analyze the mood of each poem. Include examples of each element. Then describe the overall mood.

|               | "The Lady of Shalott" | "Ulysses" | from "In Memoriam" | "Crossing the Bar" |
|---------------|-----------------------|-----------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Diction       |                       |           |                    |                    |
| Imagery       |                       |           |                    |                    |
| Sound Devices |                       |           |                    |                    |
| Parallelism   |                       |           |                    |                    |
| Mood          |                       |           |                    |                    |