The Poem

"Why weep ye by the tide, ladie?
       Why weep ye by the tide?
I'll wed ye to my youngest son,
       And ye sall be his bride:
And ye sall be his bride, ladie,
       Sae comely to be seen"—
But aye she loot the tears down fa'
       For Jock of Hazeldean.

Key Words

Some tricky words:

ladie = lady

ye = you

sall = shall

so comely = so pretty

loot = let

down fa’ = fall down

* What is the lady doing?
* Why is she doing this?
* How old do you think she is? Why?

This poem was written by Walter Scott 200 years ago. It is about a young woman who does not want to marry a rich but boring man so chooses to run away with an exciting young man called Jock of Hazeldean.

* What is the speaker promising the young lady?
* Does the young lady want these things?

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Key Words

Some tricky words:

sall = shall

lack = be without

mettled hound = dog

managed hawk = pet bird

palfrey = horse

loot the tears down fa’ = let the tears fall down

The Poem

"A chain of gold ye sall not lack,
      Nor braid to bind your hair;
Nor mettled hound, nor managed hawk,
      Nor palfrey fresh and fair;
And you, the foremost o' them a',
      Shall ride our forest queen"—
But aye she loot the tears down fa'
      For Jock of Hazeldean.

* What is the lady doing?
* Why does the speaker think Frank is a great guy?

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The Poem

"Now let this wilful grief be done,
      And dry that cheek so pale;
Young Frank is chief of Errington,
      And lord of Langley-dale;
His step is first in peaceful ha',
      His sword in battle keen"—
But aye she loot the tears down fa'
      For Jock of Hazeldean.

Key Words

Some tricky words:

wilful = stubborn

ha’ = hall (a place for parties)

keen = hardworking

loot the tears down fall = she’s crying

Key Words

Some tricky words:

deck’d = decorated

tapers = candles

bower = a nice area under trees

ha’ = hall

ladie = lady

o’er = over

awa= away

The Poem

The kirk was deck'd at morning-tide,
      The tapers glimmer'd fair;
The priest and bridegroom wait the bride,
      And dame and knight are there.
They sought her baith by bower and ha';
      The ladie was not seen!
She's o'er the Border and awa'
      Wi' Jock of Hazeldean.

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* Who is at the church?
* Who is missing?
* Where do you think she has gone?