

The Way My Mother Speaks Quotation Knowledge Organiser

Sentence Structure

<u>Quotation</u>	<u>Technique</u>
I say her phrases to myself in my head	1 st Person Perspective
restful shapes moving.	Paradox (contradiction)
The day and ever. The day and ever.	Repetition
The train this slow evening goes down England browsing for the right sky,	Long vowel sounds "slow", "goes down", "browsing"
too blue swapped for a cool grey.	Contrast
<u>too blue</u> swapped for a <u>cool</u> grey	Assonance "oo" sound
<i>What like is it</i>	Italicisation/ Repetition
Nothing is silent. Nothing is not silent.	Repetition/ Double negative
<i>The day and ever. The day and ever.</i>	Repetition
I am homesick, free, in love with the way my mother speaks.	Enjambment/ list
with the way my mother speaks.	Repetition

Imagery

<u>Quotation</u>	<u>Technique</u>
under the shallows of my breath	Metaphor
I am happy and sad like a child who stood at the end of summer	Simile
dipped a net in a green, erotic pond.	Metaphor

Themes

Transition/Change	Love
Movement	Identity (national and personal)
Childhood Experience	Sexuality
Nostalgia	<i>Safety/Securiy</i>