

carries deep reflections on love, meaning, and the indifferent nature of the universe. In Auden's view, love may be a purely internal experience that does not need external validation to be real. Love as an Independent Force The poet begins by describing love as "the Interest Itself," suggesting that love is not merely a human emotion but a fundamental principle of the universe, existing independently of individual desires or circumstances. This aligns with a Platonic view of love as a transcendent essence. 2. The Indifferent Heaven Auden describes heaven as "thoughtless," implying an impersonal universe that does not care about human suffering or happiness. It can be analyzed from several perspectives: 1.3