

John Donne  
The Good Morrow  
More challenging questions!

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1. I WONDER by my troth, what thou and I  
Did, till we loved? were we not wean'd till then?  
But suck'd on country pleasures, childishly?
  - What does the poet mean when he speaks of, "But suck'd we on country pleasures, childishly"? (4)
2. The "Seven Sleepers' den" refers to a legend of seven Christian youths who were locked away in a cave by the Roman Emperor for refusing to denounce their faith. They would stay in that cave for almost 200 years before being released.
  - Explain, however, the significance of using the word "snorted" in this regard. (4)
3. 'Twas so; but this, all pleasures fancies be.
  - What does the poet mean when he says, "All pleasures fancies be"? (4)
4. If ever any beauty I did see,  
Which I desired, and got, 'twas but a dream of thee.
  - What point is the poet making with these words? (4)
5. For love all love of other sights controls,  
And makes one little room an everywhere.
  - Is this a true reflection of love? (4)
6. Whatever dies, was not mix'd equally.
  - What is meant by this line? Do you think this is a fair reflection of love? (4)

GENERAL QUESTION:

7. Are the poet's sentiments serious -- or is he being somewhat tongue-in-cheek? (4)

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