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A Critical Appreciation of Look Stranger

The present poem 'Look Stranger' has been written by one of the most popular and famous modern English poets W. H. Auden.

The poet, standing at the shore of the Sever river asks an imaginary stranger to look at the beauty of Sever shores at sunrise. He hears the swaying sound of the sea. He hopes that the stranger must take a long pause to enjoy the most beautiful scenery of chalk hills on the coast. He should remain calm and motionless on the beach of the sea along the southern coast of England to listen to the voice of the shingles rolled backward and forward by the waves of the sea against the slopes.

The poet further says that the stranger would stop and stand into the sea. The tall and large peaks stand firm against the powerful waves of the sea. The tidal falls of the sea wash and clean the pebbles down from the beach every time.

The poet will be able to see the gulls resting for a moment on some shelf on the step of the cliff.

In the bosom of the sea far away
the ships are visible as small as seeds
floating on the surface of water. The weather
appears to be peaceful and the water of
the water of the harbour lies like a mirror.
Like the sailing ships the clouds also
appear to sail away in the water.

The language of this poem
is very simple. Its style is lucid
and superb. The natural description
of the scenery of the sea coast is beyond
imagination and description.