English

Read the poem ‘My Mind’ by Ros Asquith. Answer the retrieval, inference and writer’s choice questions.



Retrieving Information

1. What word does the poet use as a synonym (a word that means the same) for ‘hole’?
2. How does the poet say she must behave towards her mind?
3. The poet uses the word ‘mind’ in different ways so that it has different meanings. Give two examples from the poem.

Making Inferences

1. Do you think the poet is a young person or an older person? Explain why using evidence from the text.
2. Why do you think the poet wants their thoughts to “be mine alone”?

Writer’s choices

1. Why do you think the writer compares her mind to “paths and mazes”?
2. Why has the poet chosen to talk about “wolves” in her mind?