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Group members: _____

Sample Slide from Marcus Luther's Class for this Edutopia Post

With your group, complete this slide over the next 12 minutes—good luck! (Keep an eye on the clock!) You get to ask Mr. Luther two questions during this time as a group—choose wisely!

Word	Connotation/Significance
"survive" (25)	Underscores the theme of time continuing.
"desire" (23)	Supports the theme of having a strong want or need for something greater than themselves, such as love or enthusiasm.
"frantic" (2)	Implies that they are very unprepared, rushed and helpless while in a time of vulnerability.

Most Important Shift and Why?	When the speaker shifts from talking about what may be interpreted as war, to speaking directly to the reader: "Reader, I want to / say: Don't die" (10-11). This emphasizes the underlying message of survival.
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Irony, Analogy, or Paradox?
The analogy of the pickup truck nearly taking the life of the dog represents the image of death and how fragile life can be. Adding on, when the leash was yanked, it symbolises how certain things or people prevent us from going through potential events in life.

If this poem was about one word, it would be...?	Wounds , because wounds can be healed, but can also scar. In life things can go bad and then be fixed but it still leaves an effect on people and influences the way they live.
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