SONNET 137

Thou blind fool, Love, what dost thou to mine eyes,
That they behold, and see not what they see?
They know what beauty is, see where it lies,
Yet what the best is take the worst to be.

If eyes corrupt by over-partial looks
Be anchor’d in the bay where all men ride,
Why of eyes' falsehood hast thou forged hooks,
Whereunto the judgment of my heart is tied?

Why should my heart think that a several plot
Which my heart knows the wide world's common place?
Or mine eyes seeing this, say this is not,
To put fair truth upon so foul a face?

    In things right true my heart and eyes have erred,
    And to this false plague are they now transferr'd.

Answer the following questions based on the sonnet above:

1. What problem does the speaker present the reader? Quote the direct lines and interpret them.

2. How does the speaker further develop the problem? Quote the direct lines and interpret them.
3. How does the speaker resolve or conclude those lines? Quote the direct lines and interpret them.

4. What is the speaker’s mood in lines 1-8 of the sonnet? Provide direct word or phrase examples to support your thoughts.

5. Where does the speaker’s mood change (transition)? Provide direct quote and interpret it.