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## Whispers of Goodbye

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. The speaker experiences a range of emotions, including sadness, longing, and a deep sense of missing the loved one. They also find comfort and solace in memories and nature.
2. The poem suggests that nature and memories can serve as sources of comfort and connection to a loved one who has passed away, helping the speaker cope with their grief.
3. The promise made by the speaker signifies their commitment to keeping the memory and love of the departed alive, highlighting the importance of preserving cherished moments.
4. Answers may vary. Students may relate to the feelings of loss and grief if they have experienced the death of a loved one or if they understand the concept of missing someone dearly.

