Metaphor Ladder

“Retrospection.” NBE3U, Writing Back, Lesson 9

Name: _____ Date: _____

Rung	Quotation	What it means for her
A slender tree		
Uprooted, shorn of branches		
Bark scraped off		
A cold bare pole		
Zigzag lightning		

Sample work

What do the visitors see? What do they miss? Why does the essay end with a question?

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My Retrospection

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Write a short retrospection (150 to 200 words) looking back at an earlier version of yourself: a school year, a skill, a belief, a place. Personal details are your choice. Use one metaphor and carry it through.

What I'm looking back at	
My metaphor	
How the metaphor changes	
The question I end with	

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