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Student notes for: "A Night Battle, over a Week Since"

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1. How does the simile "determin'd as demons" in the second paragraph support Whitman's opinion of war?

2. In the second paragraph, Whitman uses alliteration when he writes, "The flashes of fire from cannon, the quick flaring flames and smoke...". What is the effect of Whitman's description of the fire?

3. What point is Whitman trying to make in the opening lines of the third paragraph when he says, "Then the camps of the wounded-O heavens, what scene is this?-is this indeed humanity-these butchers' shambles?"

4. Identify lines of parallelism present in the second sentence of the fourth paragraph. What is its purpose?

