

**Questions on My Life had stood - a Loaded Gun - by Emily Dickinson:**

1. What are the implications of describing one's life as a loaded gun?
2. As a gun, the speaker is owned, possessed, and carried away, but she is also powerful, lethal. How is this contradiction summed up in the last stanza?
3. Analyze the use and meaning of power in the final stanza and in the poem as a whole.