

"LADIES FIRST" by Shel Silverstein

alliteration = Pamela Purse yelled, "Ladies first," AA B ← Internal rhyme  
 Pushing in front of the ice cream line.  
 Pamela Purse yelled, "Ladies first," AA B  
 Grabbing the ketchup at dinner time.

metonymy = Climbing on the morning bus C  
 She'd shove right by all of us C  
 And there'd be a tiff or a fight or a fuss C = alliteration  
 When Pamela Purse yelled, "Ladies first," AA

assonance = Pamela Purse screamed, "Ladies first," AA  
 When we went off on our jungle trip. D  
 Pamela Purse said her thirst was worse AAA  
 And guzzled our water, every sip. D

Who tied us together and made us all stand EE  
 In a long line in front of the King of the land—E  
 A cannibal known as Fry-'Em-Up Dan, EE  
 Who sat on his throne in a bib so grand EE

assonance = With a lick on his lips and a fork in his hand, EE  
 As he tried to decide who'd be first in the pan—EE  
 From back of the line, in that shrill voice of hers, A  
 Pamela Purse yelled, "Ladies first," AA



girl-old enough to be lady?  
 \* Not asking like a lady  
 irony to make a point =

Ladies first - chivalry  
 Polite gesture

Rhyme scheme

Theme: selfishness  
 Subject: girl's arrogant/rude behavior

