

12. Sympathy

Let's Think – Choose the Correct Answer (Page No : 79)

1. What does the poet tell us to do when someone cries?

- a) Ignore them
- b) Help them
- c) Laugh at them
- d) Tell others

Answer : b

Explanation : The poem teaches us to show sympathy and help anyone in pain.

2. What is compared to summer rain?

- a) Gold
- b) Sympathy
- c) Throne
- d) Smile

Answer : b

Explanation : The poet says sympathy feels refreshing and soothing like summer rain.

3. What can make a sad heart glow?

- a) Money
- b) Smile
- c) Anger
- d) Power

Answer : d

Explanation: A kind smile can comfort a sad person.

4. What is the sweetest art according to the poet?

- a) Sympathy
- c) Writing
- b) Singing
- d) Dancing

Answer : a

Explanation: The poet calls sympathy the sweetest art because it brings joy to others.

5. What should we do when someone stumbles?

- a) Help them
- b) Laugh
- c) Ignore
- d) Run away

Answer : a

Explanation: The poem tells us to lift others when they fall or struggle.

True or False (Page No : 80)

1. Sympathy means laughing at others' pain. _____

Answer : False

2. The poem says even small kindness matters. _____

Answer : True

3. The poet compares sympathy to gold and crown. _____

Answer : True

4. The poet says we should help others rise. _____

Answer : True

5. The poem teaches us to be proud and selfish. _____

Answer : False

Answer the Following Questions Orally

1. What does sympathy mean in your own words?

Answer : Sympathy means understanding someone's feelings and helping them.

2. How can you show sympathy to a friend who is sad?

Answer : By listening, comforting, or staying with them.

3. Why is kindness more valuable than money?

Answer : Because kindness touches the heart and gives real happiness.

4. What happens when we help others?

Answer : They feel better, and we also feel happy inside.

5. What line in the poem is your favourite and why?

Answer : Students may answer personally.

Answer the Following Questions in Writing

1. What message does the poet want to give?

Answer : The poet wants to teach that sympathy, kindness, and helping others make the world better.

2. How does the poet describe the power of sympathy?

Answer : The poet says sympathy is more valuable than gold and crowns and comforts others like summer rain.

3. What does the poet mean by "A kind soul can heal the pain"?

Answer : It means a person with kindness can remove sadness from someone's heart.

4. Why can sympathy be called "the sweetest art"?

Answer : Sympathy is called the sweetest art because it brings love, comfort, and happiness to others.

5. Write the moral of the poem in your own words.

Answer : We should be kind, gentle, and ready to help others in need.

Fill in the blanks with the correct adjective:

1. The boy felt _____ when his friend helped him. (happy/sad)

Answer : happy

2. The old man was _____ by the girl's kindness. (touched/angry)

Answer : touched

3. A _____ word can heal a hurt heart. (kind/cold)

Answer : kind

4. The poet feels _____ towards people in pain. (sympathetic/selfish)

Answer : sympathetic

5. We all must be _____ human beings. (caring/greedy)

Answer : caring

Make Sentences Using the Following Words

1. Sympathy – _____

Answer : Sympathy brings comfort to those who are sad.

2. Kindness – _____

Answer : Kindness can change someone's entire day.

3. Empathy – _____

Answer : Empathy helps us understand how others feel.

4. Compassion – _____

Answer : Compassion makes us support people in pain.

5. Gentle – _____

Answer : Always speak in a gentle voice to comfort others.

Fill in the Blanks (Subject-Verb Agreement)

1. Sympathy _____ (makes/make) people kind.

Answer : Makes

2. A kind act _____ (brings/bring) happiness.

Answer : brings

3. Everyone _____ (needs/need) a little care.

Answer : needs

4. The poet _____ (teaches/teach) us to be kind.

Answer : teaches

5. Gentle words _____ (touch/touches) the heart.

Answer : touch