

Std - V

Sub - English Lit.

A WINTER NIGHT

A1. Answer these questions :-

Q.1. Which season is being described in the poem?

Ans - Winter season is being described in the poem.

Q.2. How has the speaker described the weather?

Ans - The Speaker has described the weather as her window glass was covered with ice and it was bitterly cold that night. Even the moon seemed cold.

Q.3. Quote the lines the speaker has used to show that it is very cold.

Ans - "My windowpane is starred with frost,
The World is bitter cold tonight,
The moon is cruel and the wind,
Is like a two edged sword to smite."

Q.4. What does the speaker mean by 'My room is like a bit of June'? Why is her room 'like a bit of June'?

Ans - The speaker meant to say that her room was quite warm. Her room was like a bit of June because all the windows of the room were closed and curtained and the room was warm.

A.2. Read these lines extracts and answer the questions with reference to the context.

1. God pity all the homeless ones...

(a) What do the 'homeless ones' do on winter nights?

Ans - The homeless ones moved here and there in order to keep themselves a little warm on a cold night.

(b) Why does the speaker pity the homeless people?

Ans- The speaker pitied the homeless ones because during that bitter cold they had no shelter and no proper clothes to keep themselves warm.

(c) How can we say that the condition of the poor is not good?

Ans- We can say that the condition of the poor was not good because they were homeless and walking on the streets in the bitter cold.

2. But Somewhere, like a homeless child,
My heart is crying in the cold.

(a) Where is the speaker at this time?

Ans- The speaker is in her room.

(b) Why is the speaker sad?

Ans- The speaker is sad as she is thinking about the poor people who are homeless even in this terrible cold.

(c) Identify the figure of speech used in the above lines.

Ans- The figure of speech in the above ones is simile

C.1. Choose the right form of verb to complete each sentence.

1. I would have finished my painting by next week.
2. I have been to Darjeeling many times.
3. My mother was looking for her keys. She had lost them.
4. My uncle is on his way from the station. He hasn't arrived home yet.
5. Have you ever played chess.
6. How long have you known your best friend?

C.2. Fill in the correct **perfect tense** forms of the verbs given in brackets to complete the sentences.

1. My brother and sister have gone for a walk. (go)
2. He has taken medicines for cold. (take)

3. I had written two letters to my cousin last month. (write)
4. We could not move out of our houses because they had parked their car in front of our door. (park)
5. Students would have gathered (gather) in the school hall by 10 am.
6. By this time, tomorrow, I would have boarded (board) the train to Rajasthan.
7. Yes, I had called (call) you before I left for the party.