

St.Mar's Co-Ed School, Harda



Class - IX

Sub - English (Beehive)

Poem 2 - Wind

Thinking about the poem

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Question 1.

What are the things the wind does in the first stanza?

Answer:

The wind breaks the doors of the window, scatters the papers and throws down the books on the shelf. It also tears the pages of the books and brings rain.

Question 2.

Have you seen anybody winnow grain at home or in a paddy field? What is the word in your language for winnowing? What do people use for winnowing? (Give the words in your language, if you know them.)

Answer:

Yes, I have seen ladies winnow grain in my village. People winnow grains to remove straws, chaff and dust found in grains there. It is called 'Barsana'.

Question 3.

What does the poet say the wind god winnows?

Answer:

The wind god winnows all the things available at home.

Question 4.

How does we make wind our friend?

Answer:

The poet suggests that we should build strong houses and fix the doors firmly to make friends with the wind. Moreover, we should be strong enough to face the difficulties in life.

Question 5.

What do the last four lines of the poem mean to you?

Answer:

The last four lines convey the message that those who are not determined and lack confidence face defeat. And those who set their targets and make sincere efforts are not disturbed by any obstacle.

Question 6.

How does the poet speak to the wind—in anger or with humour? You must also have seen or heard of the wind “crumbling lives”. What is your response to this? Is it same as the poet’s?

Answer:

The poet speaks to the wind with humour. I opine that the poet’s behaviour is pertinent and I have also seen the wind devastating the property mercilessly. The poet invites the wind to attack him and intends to prepare himself for the attack.

Note : Next exercise has to be done by students only

