

The School Boy Poem 5

The School Boy NCERT Text Book Questions and Answers

The School Boy Working with the poem (Page 23)

Question 1.

Find three or four words/phrases in stanza 1 that reflect the child's happiness and joy.

Answer:

- (i) I love to rise
- (ii) the birds sing
- (iii) skylark sings with me
- (iv) sweet company

Question 2.

In stanza 2, the mood changes. Which words/phrases reflect the changed mood?

Answer:

- (i) It drives all joy away
- (ii) Under a cruel eye outworn
- (iii) In sighing and dismay

Question 3.

'A cruel eye outworn' (stanza 2) refers to

- (i) the classroom which is shabby/noisy.
- (ii) the lessons which are difficult/uninteresting.
- (iii) the dull/uninspiring life at school with lots of work and no play. Mark the answer that you

Answer:

- (iii) the dull/uninspiring life at school with lots of work and no play.

Question 4.

'Nor sit in learning's bower worn thro' with the dreary shower Which of the following is a close paraphrase of the lines above ?

- (i) Nor can I sit in a roofless classroom when it is raining.
- (ii) Nor can I learn anything at school though teachers go on lecturing and explaining
- (iii) Nor can I sit in the school garden for fear of getting wet in the rain.

Answer:

- (ii) Nor can I learn anything at school though teachers go on lecturing and explaining.