



CLASS NOTES-ANSWERS

Reading Comprehension

A. Tick (✓) the correct statements. Put a cross (X) against those that are incorrect.

- 1) The larks sing rhyming songs. ✓
- 2) The dogs in the poet's neighbourhood have sharp teeth. ✓
- 3) The cats in the neighbourhood run around all day. X
- 4) There is a swimming pool in the poet's neighbourhood. X
- 5) The poet likes her neighbourhood. ✓

B. Answer these questions.

- 1) Why does the poet wake up before the alarms chime?

Answer: The poet wakes up before the alarms chime because she is woken up by the song of the larks.

- 2) With whom do the neighbourhood dogs go on jogs?

Answer: The neighbourhood dogs go jogging with the other dogs that follow them. The poet refers to these dogs as their brothers and sisters.

- 3) What do the dogs do when they see the poet? What does it denote?

Answer: The dogs wag their tails when they see the poet. This shows that they are fond of her.

- 4) How does the poet describe her neighbourhood at the end of the poem?

Answer: In the last stanza, the poet says that her neighbourhood is a lovely place. When it rains, the lanes shine and smell of sweet flowers



and leaves. The poet loves to walk along the glistening paths of her neighbourhood and she wonders about its beauty.

C. Think and answer.

- 1) Which stanza from the poem do you like the most? Give a reason for your answer.

Answer: Sample

I like the third stanza the best. It is about cats. I like cats. The poet is right about their being lazy. There are cats in my neighbourhood too and they are also very lazy.

- 2) Are there dogs in your neighbourhood? What are they like? Tell your classmates.

Answer: Sample

Yes, there are three dogs that live in my neighbourhood, around our building. One of them is black and the other two brown. The black one is very well-behaved. The other two dogs are a little afraid of him. The three dogs never fight with each other. They make us feel safe at night.

D. Read these lines from the poem and answer the questions that follow.

My neighbourhood cats are the laziest brats

They lie on the warm garden walls

- 1) Why does the poet call the neighbourhood cats 'laziest brats'?

Answer: The poet calls the cats 'laziest brats' because they lie around all day and do not take part in any activity.

- 2) Why are the garden walls warm?

Answer: The garden walls are warm because the sun shines on them



all day long.

3) What else does the poet say about the cats?

Answer: The poet says that the cats sleep all the time. They do not pay any attention to the calls of the people when mice and moles come out of their holes.

Appreciating the poem

A. Read the poem 'Where I Live' once again and note all the rhyming words.

Answer: A few rhyming words are,

larks – sharks

walls – calls

tow – go

moles – holes

dogs – jogs

paths – baths

day – away

lanes – rains

cats – brats

B. Write two rhyming words for each of these words.

Answer: Sample

1) Sweet - feet, meet

2) Mice - dice, rice

3) Walk - talk, chalk

4) Paint - faint, saint