



THE REBEL

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NCERT EXERCISE SOLUTIONS

WORKING WITH THE POEM (NCERT PAGE 34-35)

Question 1:

Answer the following questions.

(i) If someone doesn't wear a uniform to school, what do you think the teacher will say?

Answer:

The teacher would scold the student who is not dressed in the school uniform while coming to the school.

(ii) When everyone wants a clear sky, what does the rebel want most?

Answer:

When everyone wants a clear sky, the rebel wants rain.

(iii) If the rebel has a dog for a pet, what is everyone else likely to have?

Answer:

If a rebel has a dog for a pet, the others would most likely have cats.

(iv) Why is it good to have rebels?

Answer:

It is good to have rebels because they are different. They not only teach us to be able to accept and tolerate differences but also bring about changes in our society.

(v) Why is it not good to be a rebel oneself?

Or What makes the poet say that you may not like being a rebel?

Answer:

It is not good to be a rebel oneself because people find it hard to accept a rebel and always disapprove of his behaviour.

(vi) Would you like to be a rebel? If yes, why? If not, why not?

Answer:

I would like to be a rebel because a rebel is able to think individually and pick out the right things from the various wrong and harmful practices in society.

However, it is not easy to be a rebel as rebels are not looked upon favourably by the society for their different behaviour.

Question 2:

Find in the poem an antonym (a word opposite in meaning) for each of the following words.

- (i) long
- (ii) grow
- (iii) quietness
- (iv) sober
- (v) lost

Answer:

- (i) long — short
- (ii) grow — cut
- (iii) quietness — disturbance
- (iv) sober — fantastic
- (v) lost — find

**Question 3:**

Find in the poem lines that match the following. Read both one after the other.

- (i) The rebel refuses to cut his hair.
- (ii) He says cats are better.
- (iii) He recommends dogs.
- (iv) He is unhappy because there is no Sun.
- (v) He is noisy on purpose.

Answer:

- (i) The rebel lets his hair grow long.
- (ii) He has a preference for cats.
- (iii) He puts in a good word for dogs.
- (iv) He regrets the absence of Sun.
- (v) He creates a disturbance.
