SAATVIK STUDY STATION

: Choose Us, Be Ahead



TREES

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NCERT EXERCISE SOLUTIONS

WORKING WITH THE POEM (NCERT PAGE 85)

Ouestion 1:

What are the games or human activities which use trees, or in which trees also 'participate'?

Answer:

Children use trees for their games. They make tree houses on the trees and play 'hide and seek' behind the trees. Adults use trees for leisure time activities. Under the shade of the trees, they have their tea parties. People also use the trees as a subject for painting.

Question 2:

(i) "Trees are to make no shade in winter." What does this mean? (Contrast this line with the line immediately before it.)

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Answer:

During summers, the trees provide cool shade. In winters, there is no shade as the leaves fall off the trees.

(ii) "Trees are for apples to grow on, or pears." Do you agree that one purpose of a tree is to have fruit on it? Or do you think this line is humorous?

Answer:

Yes, I do agree that one purpose of the trees is to bear fruits.

No, this given line is not humorous as trees do give fruits like apples and pears.

Question 3:

With the help of your partner, try to rewrite some lines in the poem, or add new ones of your own as in the following examples.

Answer:

- Trees are for birds to build nests in.
- Trees are for people to sit under.

Now try to compose a similar poem about water, or air.

- Trees are for birds to build nests in.
- Trees are for people to sit under.
- Trees are for those leisurely hours to enjoy the beauty of nature.
- Trees are for the homemakers to beautify their house.
- Trees are for the sick ones to derive their medicine from.
- Trees are for everyone because to every person a tree has some gift to offer.

