



MORE QUESTIONS SOLVED

A. Short Answer Type Questions

Question 1. The poem begins in a conversational tone. Who are the two participants? What is the advantage of this method?

Answer: The two participants are the poet and the rain. The poet makes the rain relate its own story. This direct presentation makes the narration more authentic, interesting and captivating.

Question 2. "Behind the apparent simplicity, the poem hides a deep meaning." What exactly does the poem convey to the reader?

Answer: The poem is not merely a description of life-cycle of rain. It has deeper meaning. Rain is a poem or thing of beauty of Earth and so is song or music. The comparison between rain and music and their function: making the Earth pure and beautiful conveys the eternal role of natural phenomenon and art in real life.

Question 3. How does the rain justify its claim: "I am the Poem of Earth"?

Answer: The rain narrates the journey of its life—from birth to return to origin in mythical terms. The facts are scientific but the phrases that convey them are metaphoric and literary. The whole journey has a beauty and charm associated with a poem.

B. Long Answer Type Questions

Question 1. How is the cyclic movement of rain brought out in the poem "The Voice of the Rain"? What points of similarity do you notice between rain and music?

Answer: The rain calls itself the poem of earth. It is everlasting and perpetual. It is something that cannot be touched. It originates from the land and the deep sea. Then it rises upward to heaven where it changes its form into a cloud, yet remains the same in quality. From the sky it pours down on earth to wash the dry tiny particles and dust layers of the earth. The rain helps the unborn seeds to sprout. These seeds lay hidden and unborn under the layers of earth. Rain gives back life to its origin making it pure and beautiful. Rain and music are both beautiful and life-giving. They are eternal sources of joy and go on perpetually. They inspire even dormant objects and persons with life and activity.

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