

## Working with the Poem

**Question 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 and play "hide and seek' behind the trees. Trees play an important role also while adults are spending some time at leisure. Under the shade of the trees, they have their tea parties and they also become a befitting Subject matter 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.)

(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: (i)** During winter time, we need sunlight not the cool shades of tree as it is already cold. In summer time, we need protection from sunlight and trees provide the cool shades.

(ii) Yes, I agree that one purpose of a tree is also to provide fruits and eatables. Humans receive a lot of eatables from trees.

**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.

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.

## Answer:

Trees are for sweet fruits.

Tress take away our tiredness. Trees are oxygen. Drink water or bath with water, You can never imagine life without water. Pure water or impure water, Save every drop of water.

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