

Text Book Exercise

Answer the following questions.

1. **Paraphrase the poem.**

Ans: The poem signifies the importance of practical approach in life. Those who merely boasts and do not involve in any practical work, have to face humiliation and failure. We must be practical and helping for others. The poet wants to say that actions speak louder than words.

2. **How does the life of man pass through different phases?**

Ans. If a man is dull and does not want to do any thing practical in his life, he is like a garden full of weeds and snow. But if he is practical in his life, he can change the barren land into a garden full of flowers and fruits.

3. **What happens when life is spent with the help of words and not of deeds?**

Ans. When the life is spent with the help of words and not of deeds, it becomes dull and drab. It does not bear any fruit, rather it becomes a boring journey toward death.

4. **What is the condition of the garden when the weeds start growing?**

Ans. When the weeds start growing in the garden, it becomes a garden full of snow and weed and no flower blooms in such garden. No tree of such garden ever bears fruit of any kind. It remains a garden of weeds.

5. **Write down all the rhyming words in the poem and use them in sentences of your own.**

Ans: deeds: We should perform good deeds.

weeds: I like sea weeds.

Grow: The farmers grow wheat in the fields.

Snow: They enjoy snow with friends.

fall: The monkey do not fall from tree.

wall: The clock is against the wall.

fly: The birds fly and chirp in the air.

sky: Sky is very high.

roar: The Lion was roaring in the zoo.

door: Who is knocking at the door?

smart: He works smart.

heart: She is feeling pain in heart.

crack: I heard the cracking sound.

back: They are back.

bleed: He is bleeding.

Indeed: Truth is indeed a blessing.

6. **What is the moral of the poem?**

Ans: The moral lesson of the poem is that we should live an active life. We should be practical in life to make it useful. We should not be as dull as a stone. We should go on trying till success.

