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Subject: English**

Topic :Poem no.7 Vocation

Pre-activity: Draw a picture of any hawker and also describe the hawker, which you see when you pass from the lane of your home.

Q. 1. Answer the following questions:

(i) Who is the speaker in the poem? Who are the people the speaker meets? What are they doing?

Ans: The speaker of the poem is a school-going child. Every day he happens to meet the hawker who sells bangles, the gardener who digs the garden and a watchman who keeps a close watch on the streets the whole night.

(ii) What wishes does the child in the poem make? Why does the child want to be a hawker, a gardener, or a watchman?

Ans: The child in the poem has an innocent mind. He watches all the people around him keenly. He strongly wishes he could lead his life his own way and enjoy the freedom just as a hawker, a gardener or a watchman.

(iii) Describe the hawker according to the poet.

Ans: In the morning, when he walks towards his school at ten, he used to meet a hawker carrying bangles to sell them and shouting aloud. He imagined hawker as free to go anywhere, anyplace and anytime. He had no hurry to do anything and enjoy his freedom. Thus, the poet wished himself to become a hawker to live independently.

(iv) Why the poet wanted to become a gardener?

Ans: The poet wanted to become a gardener because he admired the gardener's freedom and independence. The gardener worked outdoors in the sun and rain, digging the ground and cutting trees, without anyone scolding or stopping him. The poet envied the gardener's carefree life and the way he could get his hands dirty without worry. This shows the poet's longing for a life free from restrictions and full of simple joys.

(V) Describe watchman.

Ans: The watchman is described as someone who walks up and down the dark and lonely streets at night, holding a lantern in his hand. He seems fearless and determined as he performs his duty of guarding the area. The poet admires the watchman's independence and the way he carries out his work without anyone giving him orders. The poet finds the watchman's life fascinating because he appears free and self-reliant, moving around while others are asleep.

Post Activity:

Imagine you could choose any job you wanted. Write a paragraph about the job and why you admire it.

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