



Pre Activity: Draw a picture of Train.

New words with meaning:

1. Witch- women thought to have magical powers
2. Hedge- rows of closely growing bushes
3. Ditches- long passage
4. Meadows- grasslands
5. Scrambles- moves awkwardly on hands and feet
6. Clambers- climb using hands
7. Tramp- a homeless person
8. Brambles- wild bushes
9. Lumping- carrying a heavy load with difficulty
10. Glimpse- a view of something for a short period of time

Answer the following:

1. Can you name two other things that the railway carriage might have crossed, that are not mentioned in the poem?

Ans- Rivers and valleys.

2. What was the tramp doing as the train sped past him?

Ans- The tramp stood and gazed as the train sped past him.

3. What does the poet mean when he says 'each a glimpse and gone forever'?

Ans- The poet says, 'Each a glimpse had gone forever' because whatever anyone can see while travelling was seen only for a moment and then in the next moment, the sight changes.

4. Give two examples of words that the poet uses to show that the train was going at a great speed?

Ans- The poet used expressions like 'faster than fairies' and 'faster than witches' which shows that the train was going at a great speed.

Reference to Context:

“ Fly as thick as driving rain

And ever again, in the wink of an eye

Painted stations whistle by”

a. About what do the above lines talk?

Ans- Above lines talk about the train.

b. What does the phrase ‘In the wink of an eye’ refer to?

Ans- The phrase refers to the speed of a train, which sped past each station very quickly.

c. According to the poet, what are the things that can be seen through the fast moving train?

Ans- The poet can see a small child climbing and gathering brambles, a tramp who stood and gazed, a cart lumping along the road with a load and man, he can see a mill and also a river through the fast moving train.

Post Activity:

Describe the sights you might see if you look out of a window when you are travelling by bus, train or aeroplane.

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