



Poem-10 | For Anne Gregory?

Worksheet-1

Multiple Choice Questions

- In the conversation of Anne with a young man; she articulated that she was colouring her hair in different shades. Which of the following was not a shade in her choice?
 - Black
 - Carrot
 - Green
 - Brown
- When did the poet of the poem win the Nobel prize in literature?
 - 1920
 - 1922
 - 1921
 - 1923
- Which type of Poetry was used in the poem, For Anne Gregory?
 - Haiku
 - Rhyming
 - Free verse
 - Sonnet
- What is the rhyming scheme of the first stanza of the poem, For Anne Gregory?
 - abcabc
 - abaab
 - ababab
 - abcbdb
- By those great honey-coloured Ramparts at your ear.
Which poetic device is used here in the above line?
 - Metaphor
 - Paradox
 - Imagery
 - Simile
- According to the poet, why don't human beings pay attention to the true nature of the person?
 - They dislike the true nature
 - They carry away by the outer beauty
 - They are hypocrites
 - They are shameless
- Never was a young man thrown into despair. What do you mean by despair here?
 - Imagination
 - Disgusting
 - Helplessness
 - Hopelessness
- Who loves Anne for herself and not for her beauty? (For Anne Gregory)
 - Parents
 - Her lover
 - God
 - Her friends

9. According to the poem, One can love Anne for her features. What is the main feature in Anne?
- (a) Her Eyebrows (b) Her eyes
(c) Her nose (d) Her yellow hair
10. Who can be the other person in the poem apart from Anne Gregory? (for Anne Gregory)
- (a) All of the them because it is not mentioned Specifically
(b) Poet
(c) Anne's friend
(d) Anne's Lover

Fill in the blanks :

11. The poem "For Anne Gregory" is written by _____.
12. Anne wants to be loved for herself alone, not for her _____.

True / False

13. Anne Gregory wants to be loved for her yellow hair.
14. The poem "For Anne Gregory" was written by Ogden Nash.

Very Short Type Questions

15. Highlight the central theme of the poem For Anne Gregory.
16. Why should a young man never love a young woman for herself alone? Answer in context of the poem For Anne Gregory.

Short Type Questions

17. Explain, why the speaker mentions God in the poem For Anne Gregory.
18. Do you think you can love a person for his/her inner beauty alone and not care about the physical appearance? Justify with reference to the theme of the poem For Anne Gregory.

Essay Type Questions

19. Physical beauty is not permanent, but the beauty of character or internal beauty is permanent. Justify on the basis of your reading of For Anne Gregory.
20. Write a paragraph on the topic All that Glitters is not Gold. With reference to the poem For Anne Gregory written by W. B. Yeats.

21. **Assertion (A)** : The poem "For Anne Gregory" promotes the idea of unconditional love.
Reason (R) : Anne Gregory loves the idea of being admired for her beauty.
- (a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A
 - (b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A
 - (c) A is true, but R is false
 - (d) A is false, but R is true

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Answer & Solution

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1. (c)

In her conversation, she articulated that she would colour her hair in different shades such as brown, black and carrot. She didn't mention the green shade for her hair dye.

2. (d)

William Butler Yeats is the poet of the poem. He won the Nobel Prize for literature in 1923. He was educated in London and Dublin and was interested in folklore and mythology.

3. (b)

William Butler Yeats has created this masterpiece by using a rhyming pattern in it which generally adds the beauty to the poem.

4. (d)

The rhyming scheme used in the first stanza of the poem is abcbdb, the second, fourth, and sixth lines of a stanza end with the rhyming words while the first, third and fifth lines end with different words.

5. (a)

Metaphor is used in the line as the honey-coloured Ramparts are a metaphorical symbol used to enhance the beauty of the poem.

6. (b)

Categorically, the poet has a perception that human beings are carried away by the outer beauty of a person, thus finding it difficult to pay attention to the true nature of a person.

7. (d)

The word despair here means hopelessness. It is used to symbolize the hopelessness of an individual in any particular situation.

8. (c)

Only God is one who loves Anne for being herself and not for her beauty.

9. (d)

Anne was a beautiful girl and thus she didn't like that her beauty was the only reason why other people loved her. She had great features, but her most chiselled feature was her yellow hair.

10. (a)

The person can be either Anne's lover or her friend or can be the poet also. He can be all of these as it is not mentioned specifically in the poem.

11. William Butler Yeats

12. beauty

13. False

14. False

15. The central theme of the poem is that physical beauty may be important for young men or human beings. But God does not love human beings for their physical beauty.
16. A young man is generally attracted by the outward appearances of a young woman. Her beautiful face or her blonde hair may attract him towards her. It is quite possible that a young man may never love a woman for what she actually is. He never loves her for 'herself alone'.
17. In "For Anne Gregory," the speaker mentions God to emphasize that only divine love is truly unconditional. While people may be captivated by Anne's external beauty, the speaker suggests that only God can see beyond her physical appearance and love her for who she truly is, implying that human love is often superficial and biased by outward traits.
18. The poem "For Anne Gregory" by W.B. Yeats suggests that true love should value inner qualities over physical appearance. The speaker doubts if anyone can love solely based on inner beauty, as even changing hair color could alter others' feelings.

An old religious man in the poem implies that only God can love unconditionally, focusing on the person inside rather than outward traits like "yellow hair." Yeats thus questions if humans can truly love beyond superficial appearances, highlighting the poem's theme of deeper, spiritual love.

19. In the poem the poet, Yeats tries to convince a young girl named Anne Gregory that love based on external appearance cannot be true love as looks are temporary. The poet tells her that if she finds a young boy who becomes sad because of her rejection, it doesn't mean that he was a true lover. He could have been in love with her because of her beautiful yellow hair. Beauty fades with time but the soul is eternal. Loving someone on external beauty can never be true love as knowing the internal qualities helps one judge compatibility. The inner beauty of the person is eternal and that is how we should judge people. Ultimately, Anne understands that it is only God who can love her unconditionally. The poem imparts the strong message of valuing inner beauty over physical beauty.

20. The idiom 'All that Glitters is not Gold', means what we see with naked eye might not always be the naked truth. Like shining pieces of glass that shine and glitter like diamonds, the way people appear on the outside can be very misleading. We must never judge a book by its cover as there is a possibility that we might be wrong. Appearances are deceptive and hence should never be trusted. It can lead us to wrong conclusions.

A person may be very handsome or beautiful outside but inside if the character is not good that person's appearance is of no value. So always try to look beneath the skin because beauty is skin deep. Real beauty lies in the personality of the person, not in external appearances.

21. (c)

The poem supports the idea of unconditional love, but Anne does not desire to be admired just for her beauty; she wants to be loved for her true self.

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