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Poem-3 | Rain on the Roof

Worksheet-1

Multiple Choice Questions

- Whose memory comes to the poet when he listens to the rain? (Rain on the Roof)**
 - The memory of his father
 - The memory of his mother
 - The memory of his beloved
 - The memory of his dear friend
- What revives the sweet memories in the poet's mind? (Rain on the Roof)**
 - Working on something
 - Raindrops falling on the roof
 - Busy schedule
 - Daily routine
- What haunts the poet in the poem? (Rain on the Roof)**
 - His friends
 - His father's memory
 - Sounds of rainfall
 - His mother's memory
- What does the poet listen to? (Rain on the Roof)**
 - The sweet music of insects
 - The sweet music of raindrops
 - The sweet music of piano
 - All the options are incorrect
- What is the favourite activity of the poet during the rainy season? (Rain on the Roof)**
 - Eating snacks
 - Listening to the music
 - Roaming on the roof
 - To lie on the bed and listen to the pitter-patter sound of the rain
- When does the poet remember his mother in the poem The rain on the roof?**
 - When he listens to the patter of the rain.
 - When he misses her mother.
 - When he dreams.
 - When he feels homesick.
- Who is the poet of the poem Rain on the Roof?**
 - Coates Kinney
 - Carl Sandburg
 - Robert Frost
 - W. B. Yeats
- What is a bliss for the poet in the poem Rain on the roof?**
 - To feel the moisture-laden winds brought by the rains
 - To feel the rain drops.
 - To recollect the old memories during the rain
 - To hear the sound of the rain on the roof.

9. Who comes in the poet's memory? (Rain on the Roof)

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| (a) His father | (b) His friends |
| (c) The rain | (d) His mother |

10. How does the mother look at the children? (Rain on the Roof)

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| (a) With hatred | (b) With fondness |
| (c) With sadness | (d) With pity |

Fill in the blanks :

11. Starry Spheres means_____.

12. _____has been used in the phrase darling dreamers. (Rain on the Roof.)

True / False

13. Alliteration has been used in Starry Spheres and darling dreamers? (Rain on the Roof).

14. 'Tapping' is a similar word of patter from poem Rain on the Roof.

Very Short Type Questions

15. What is the impact of the tinkle of the raindrops on the poet's heart?

16. Which distinctive memory is revived in the poet's mind? Write your answer in the context of poem Rain on the Roof.

Short Type Questions

17. What shows that the poet loved his mother? Write your answer in the context of the poem, 'Rain on the Roof'.

18. Is the rain referred to in the poem "Rain on the Roof" a heavy downpour?

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Essay Type Questions

19. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow:

When the humid shadows hover
Over all the starry spheres
And the melancholy darkness
Gently weeps in rainy tears,
What a bliss to press the pillow
Of a cottage-chamber bed
And lie listening to the patter
Of the soft rain overhead!

- i. Fill the blank with one word.

According to the imagination of the poet, the raindrops are the _____ shed by the dense and sad darkness.

- ii. What does the poet imply by humid shadow?

- iii. What is the overall mood or feeling conveyed in the stanza?

- a. Sadness and despair
- b. Joy and excitement
- c. Comfort and contentment
- d. Fear and anxiety

- v. What sensory experiences are highlighted in the stanza, and how do they contribute to the overall imagery?

20. How does the poet react to the sound of the rain falling on the roof? Write your answer in the context of Poem Rain on the Roof.

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21. **Assertion (A)** : The poet finds the sound of the rain on the roof to be blissful.

Reason (R) : The rain brings back sweet memories of the poet's mother and his childhood.

- (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

1. (b)
The memory of the poet's mother comes to him as she is no longer alive.
2. (b) Raindrops falling on the roof
3. (d) His mother's memory
4. (b) The sweet music of raindrops
5. (d) To lie on the bed and listen to the pitter-patter sound of the rain
6. (a)
The poet remembers his mother when he listens to the patter of the rain on the roof. He feels her fond look on him.
7. (a)
Coates Kinney was an American lawyer, politician, journalist and poet who wrote the poem Rain on the Roof.
8. (d)
The poet thinks it is bliss to hear the sound of the rain on the roof. He lies on his cosy bed and enjoys the music of nature.
9. (d) His mother
10. (b) With fondness
11. Sky filled with the stars
12. Alliteration
13. True
14. True
15. The tinkling sound made by the raindrops echoes in the poet's heart, bringing thousands of fancies and recollections from the past. He finds himself lost in the world of imagination.
16. The rain brings thousands of mesmerizing memories. The one which comes distinctly is the memory of his mother. She is fondly gazing at him and his siblings as she used to before going to her bed chamber. She appears to him just as she did then.
17. The pattering sound of the rain mesmerized the poet with its soothing power and prompted flashback. The poet remembered his mother's face. She appeared as she was years ago. The poet could still witness the same fondness in her look. This shows that the poet loved his mother.
18. No, the rain referred to in the poem is not a heavy downpour. Firstly, the pattering and the tinkling sound made by the rain on the shingles of the roof suggests its softness and calming effect. Secondly, the poet's mood suggests its soothing nature instead of the harsh one.

19. i. tears
ii. By "humid shadows", the poet implies the clouds full of rain.
iii. (c) Comfort and contentment
iv. The stanza highlights the sensory experiences of hearing the rain patter on the roof and feeling the comfort of the cottage chamber bed. These sensory details contribute to the vivid imagery of a cozy, rainy night that adds to the speaker's sense of bliss and tranquillity.
20. The poet's heart and mind react lovingly and emotionally to the sound of the rain falling on the roof. The poet is in a blissful mood as he enjoys the patter of the rain by lying down on the pillow in the comfort of his bedroom, leisurely listening to the music of the rain.

The music of the rain stirs a corresponding echo in the heart of the poet and his heartbeat starts to beat to the rhythmic falling of the rain. His mind gets engrossed in fanciful and dreamy thoughts. The rain awakens many of the poet's past memories, especially reviving the memory of his mother as she used to look at her children affectionately before she would go to sleep in her room. He recollects the fond, affectionate look of his mother which she used to cast on him and the love that she used to shower on him. Thus, the poet's mind and heart respond sensitively to the soft pattering sound of the rain falling on the roof.

21. (a)

The poet calls the sound of rain "bliss" because it triggers nostalgic memories of his mother and childhood. Thus, the reason correctly explains the assertion.

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