

## CHAPTER-7 | The Trees

QUIZ  
PART-01

1. Who is the poet of "The Trees"?

- A. Robin Klein
- B. Adrienne Cecile Rich
- C. Carolyn Wells
- D. Leslie Norris (B)

**Explanation:** The PDF identifies Adrienne Cecile Rich as the poet of "The Trees."

2. What is the main surface theme of the poem?

- A. Love and friendship
- B. Conflict between man and nature
- C. Childhood memories
- D. War and destruction (B)

**Explanation:** The PDF says that on the superficial level, the poem deals with the conflict between man and nature.

3. What do the trees inside the house want?

- A. To grow more flowers
- B. To remain under the roof
- C. To move out into the forest
- D. To hide from the moon (C)

**Explanation:** The opening lines say that the trees inside are moving out into the forest.

4. Why was the forest empty all these days?

- A. No rain had fallen there
- B. No birds, insects, or trees were there
- C. It was cut down completely
- D. It was too dark to enter (B)

**Explanation:** The poem says no bird could sit, no insect hide, and no sun bury its feet in shadow there.

5. What do the roots do all night?

- A. Sleep in the floor
- B. Spread flowers in the room
- C. Disengage themselves from the cracks
- D. Break the furniture (C)

**Explanation:** The poem says that all night the roots work to disengage themselves from the cracks in the veranda floor.

6. The long-cramped boughs are compared to:

- A. Tired workers
- B. Newly discharged patients
- C. Flying birds
- D. Broken branches (B)

**Explanation:** The poem compares the boughs to newly discharged patients, half-dazed and moving to the clinic doors.

7. What is the poet doing while the trees are leaving?

- A. Sleeping quietly
- B. Writing long letters
- C. Watering the plants
- D. Closing the doors (B)

**Explanation:** The speaker says, "I sit inside, doors open to the veranda / writing long letters."

8. What does the poet scarcely mention in the letters?

- A. The arrival of the forest
- B. The beauty of the moon
- C. The departure of the forest from the house
- D. The sound of birds (C)

**Explanation:** The poem clearly says the speaker scarcely mentions the departure of the forest from the house.

9. What is the tone of the poem?

- A. Humorous and playful
- B. Contemplative and reflective
- C. Angry and violent
- D. Romantic and joyful (B)

**Explanation:** The PDF describes the tone as contemplative, reflective, and somewhat melancholic.

10. On a deeper level, the poem also stands for the freedom of:

- A. Only children
- B. Only animals
- C. Women and all oppressed people
- D. Only poets (C)

**Explanation:** The PDF explains that metaphorically the poem emphasizes freedom for women and people of all genders, races, and classes.