Class 10 | English

QUIZ-01

MISSION GYAN

POEM-6 | Amanda

- 1. What is Amanda being instructed not to do in the first stanza?
 - A. Hunch her shoulders and sit lazily
 - B. Play outside with her friends
 - C. Bite her nails and slouch
 - D. Sleep during the day

(C)

Explanation: The first stanza of the poem highlights how Amanda is told to stop biting her nails and slouching, emphasizing the controlling behavior of elders.

- 2. What does Amanda imagine herself to be in Stanza 2?
 - A. A fairy in a magical forest
 - B. A mermaid drifting in an emerald sea
 - C. A princess in a grand palace
 - D. A bird flying in the sky

(B)

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- *Explanation:* Amanda's imagination takes her to a tranquil emerald sea, where she sees herself as a carefree mermaid enjoying blissful solitude.
- 3. Why does Amanda describe herself as an orphan in her imagination?
 - A. She feels neglected by her parents
 - B. She yearns for independence and silence
 - C. She dislikes her family
 - D. She wants to live alone
- **Explanation:** Amanda imagines being an orphan to symbolize the freedom and peace she longs for, away from the constant instructions and criticism.
- 4. Why does the poet use parentheses in Stanzas 2, 4, and 6?
 - A. To highlight Amanda's thoughts
 - B. To explain the meaning of the instructions
 - C. To create a rhyme scheme
 - D. To emphasize Amanda's mood (A)
- Explanation: Parentheses are used to separate
 Amanda's imaginative responses from the external instructions she receives, showing her internal conflict.
- 5. What does Amanda associate with the life of Rapunzel?
 - A. Happiness and wealth B. Peace and freedom C. Loneliness and despair
 - D. Adventure and excitement (B)
- **Explanation:** Amanda wishes to live like Rapunzel, enjoying the calm and rare tranquility of the tower, without the burden of following orders or societal expectations.

- 6. What does the speaker in Stanza 1, 3, 5, and 7 represent?
 - A. Amanda's rebellious self
 - B. Amanda's parent or elder
 - C. Amanda's best friend
 - D. Amanda's teacher
- **Explanation:** The speaker represents Amanda's parent or guardian, who constantly instructs and criticizes her behavior, restricting her freedom.
- 7. What is Amanda's reaction to the constant instructions and criticisms?
 - A. She argues back fiercely
 - B. She silently imagines a better life
 - C. She follows the instructions willingly
 - D. She ignores everything

(B)

(B)

- **Explanation:** Amanda does not verbally resist but escapes into her imagination, creating scenarios where she is free and in control of her life.
- 8. What does Amanda mean by "The silence is golden, the freedom is sweet"?
 - A. She enjoys being noisy
 - B. She values freedom and peace
 - C. She loves being ignored
 - D. She dislikes being independent

(B)

(D)

- Explanation: Amanda yearns for a world of quiet and liberty, contrasting her imaginative scenarios with the restrictive environment she experiences.
- 9. In the last stanza, why does the speaker say, "Anyone would think that I nagged at you, Amanda!"?
 - A. To criticize Amanda for being lazy
 - B. To show concern for Amanda
 - C. To shift blame for Amanda's behavior
 - D. To highlight the speaker's frustration
- **Explanation:** The statement reflects the speaker's annoyance and defensive tone, emphasizing how they believe they are misunderstood for their constant instructions.
- 10. What central theme does the poem "Amanda" highlight?
 - A. The need for strict discipline
 - B. The longing for freedom and creativity
 - C. The importance of parental advice
 - D. The struggles of adulthood (B)
- **Explanation:** The poem portrays Amanda's desire to escape societal restrictions and criticism, emphasizing her imaginative spirit and need for independence.