

Introductory images
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A group of about seven people are in a boat on a calm lake. They are all smiling and looking towards the camera. The background features a range of mountains under a clear blue sky. The water in the foreground is still, reflecting the scene above. The overall mood is peaceful and joyful.

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7.1 'The Gift'



By Rabindranath Tagore

Introduction

'The Gift' is a thoughtful and emotional poem. Poet expresses his feelings about young people. Poet gives the gift to young generation in the form of a message.

Gift (General concept) = A thing which is given to a person on a particular occasion.



Gift (Poet's concept) = Love, Quality time, Sharing, Emotions, Affection, Attachment, Blessings, Care, etc. with each other.



Introduction continued

In this poem I (First person narration) stands for old people and We stands for young people.

In this poem poet expresses that all young people are running in the stream of materialistic and practical world. So they forget love, relations and they get detached from old people. Everybody is busy in their life, hanging out with their group but there is no time for old people. The old people have lost the love of their children. But they are there for them forever.

Concept Web

You have forgotten love but I cannot forget it.

You run away from us; because you have other people to talk and enjoy.

We are moving in the stream of the world but we are separating from each other

You don't have time for us and to think of us even. We have lost you my child.

You are running and moving forward in your life with success. Though we are always there for you and remember you forever.



The Gift

(Read and listen to the poem carefully)

I want to give you something, my child,
For we are drifting in the stream of the world.

Our lives will be carried apart,
and our love forgotten.

But I am not so foolish as to hope that
I could buy your heart with my gifts.

Young is your life, your path long, and
you drink the love we bring you at one draught
and turn and run away from us.

You have your play and your playmates.
What harm is there if you have no time
Or thought for us.

We, indeed, have leisure enough in old age
to count the days that are past,
to cherish in our hearts what our
hands have lost for ever.

The river runs swift with a song,
breaking through all barriers.
But the mountain stays and remembers,
and follows her with his love.

- Rabindranath Tagore



Let's Practice

Compound Words

Compound Words

jelly



+

fish



jellyfish

Cat



+

Fish



=

Catfish



Cup



+

Cake



=

Cupcake



Compound Words

Definition: A compound word is formed when two or more words join to form a new word that has its own meaning.

Two or more words linked to create a new one: boyfriend; long-winded; motorbike; meeting room. The two words can be merged, separated by a space, or hyphenated.

Compound Words

lifetime

elsewhere

upside

grandmother

cannot

baseball

fireworks

passport

together

become

became

sunflower

crosswalk

basketball

sweetmeat

superstructure

moonlight

football

railroad

rattlesnake

anybody

weatherman

throwback

skateboard

meantime

earthquake

everything

herein

Fill in the blanks with the use of appropriate words / letter to make new Compound words.

1. Book + Mark = Bookmark

2. Brain + s..... = ?

3. + fast = ?

4. Bull + d..... = ?

5. + f..y = ?

6. Cup +d = ?

Answer key

1. Bookmark

2. Brainstorm

3. Breakfast

4. Bulldozer

5. butterfly

6. cupboard

Exercise

Personal Response Questions

1. What do you think about the mood of the poem?

Ans. _____

2. “ We are drifting in the stream of the world”.
Explain the meaning of the above line in your own words.

Ans. _____

3. “The river runs swift with a song, breaking through all barriers”. What is the hidden meaning of this line? Explain in your own words.

Ans. _____

4. What do you think word ‘mountain’ stands for? Explain in your own words.

Ans. _____

Answer Key

1) I think tone or mood of poem is

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2) According to me the meaning of the line
is.....

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3) I guess the hidden meaning of the line
is.....

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4) I think word ' mountain' stands
for.....

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Write a Composition (Essay) on
'My Grandparents' in your own words.



Keywords for Composition

- About your grandparents.
- Why do you like them?
- What are the positive aspects of your grandparents?
- What do they teach you and why?
- Your memories about them.
- What would you like to do for them?
- Your general ideas about Grandparents.
- What kind of social work would you like to do for Grandparents and Why?



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your Grandparents

