



Rex
A POEM ABOUT A BEST FRIEND!

My dog Rex is a **great** old **pal**
He's always there wherever I am,
I love him so 'cause I'm an only child you see,
That's why things are always great
between Rex and me.



Rex is fun, he's a tough guy!
He is indeed the **apple of my eye**!
We love to run and fetch and play,
Under the **clear blue skies** each day!



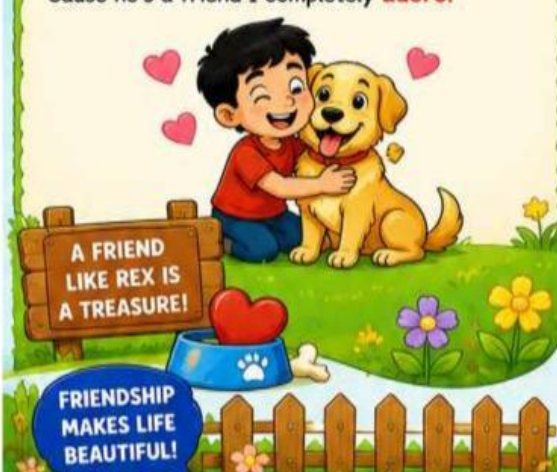
We met when I was only ten,
And our friendship has **flourished** since then,
In happy times or sad or when
the weather's dreary,
He and I will stay close 'cause Rex
think **thunder's scary**.



But then one day Rex became ill.
I was so **anxious** I couldn't sit still.
All I could do was **hope and pray**
That I'll have him around for another day.



You can't imagine the joy I felt
As Rex began to **regain** his health.
And now I cherish him even more,
'Cause he's a friend I completely **adore**!



A FRIEND LIKE REX IS A TREASURE!
FRIENDSHIP MAKES LIFE BEAUTIFUL!

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

ANSWER IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

- 1 Write one example of a **metaphor** and one example of **personification** from the poem.

Metaphor: _____

Personification: _____



- 2 Two words from the poem that appeal to the sense of sight are? _____ and _____



- 3 What is the meaning of the word "regain" (line 18) as used in the poem?



- 4 How does the mood in stanza 4 differ from the mood in stanza 5?



- 5 Who do you think is the speaker in the poem? Give a reason for your answer.



- 6 According to stanza 5, what were two effects of Rex regaining his health?



- 7 What quality does the poet display in the poem? Give an example from the poem to support your answer.

