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TEACHING AND LEARNING WORKSHEET-5

LEVEL -II

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

CLASS : VIII

UNIT-1 : B READING (MY MOTHER) (Poem)

There are 20 MCQs in section I and II (Reading Comprehension, vocabulary and grammar and appreciation of the poem) Section -III is for Home Assignment (Creative Writing)

SECTION I
(READING COMPREHENSION)

(Q.NO 1 – 10) Read the following poem with comprehension and respond to the questions by choosing the options..

MY MOTHER

Rabindranath Tagore.

I cannot remember my mother,
only sometimes in the midst of my play
a turn seems to hover over my playthings,
the tune of some song that she used
to hum while rocking my cradle.

I cannot remember my mother,
but when in the early autumn morning
the smell of the shiuli flowers floats in the air,
the scent of the morning service in the temple
comes to me as the scent of my mother.

I cannot remember my mother,
only when from my bedroom window I send my
eyes into the blue of the distant sky,
I feel that the stillness of my mother's gaze
on my face has spread all over the sky.



Now, choose the correct answers for the following questions.

1. The poet cannot remember his mother because _____
A) he had never seen his mother.
B) his mother was not staying with him.
C) his mother died when he was a small kid.
D) his mother did not love him.
2. The poet feels the presence of his mother by _____
A) Playthings
B) A song
C) The song
D) Window
3. We all love our mother because she is _____
A) loving and affectionate
B) cheerful and responsible
C) caring and kind-hearted
D) All of these
4. While recalling his mother, the scent of his mother is compared with _____
A) The scent of roses.
B) The scent of lillies.
C) The scent of morning service in the temple.
D) The scent of marigold.
5. The boy can feel his mother's gaze _____
A) In the window.
B) In the bedroom.
C) In the cradle.
D) In the distant sky.
6. Mothers hum and tune while rocking the cradles _____
A) to let their babies sleep.
B) to let their babies cry.
C) to let their babies play.
D) to let their babies enjoy music.
7. 'I send my eyes into the blue of the distant sky'. I refer to _____
A) The mother.
B) The god.
C) The child.
D) The cradle.
8. The poet can call back his mother's memory when he is _____
A) Playing with the toys.
B) Playing with friends.
C) Sleeping in the cradle.
D) Playing with flowers.
9. Scent of Shiuli flowers floating in the air. Sense it appeals to _____
A) Mouth.
B) Ears
C) Eyes
D) Nose
10. The poet remembers his mother _____
A) Always.
B) Occasionally.
C) Never
D) Often

SECTION - II
(VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR)

(Q. No. 11-15) Five of the words are underlined followed in the sentences. Follow the direction and choose the correct answer from the given choices.

11. I cannot remember my mother. Identify antonym to the underlined word
A) recall B) forget C) reject D) memorize
12. The scent of morning service in the temple. Identify the synonym of the underlined word
A) bad smell B) foul smell C) perfume D) pungent smell
13. The poet feel the pressure of his mother either by a song or by the fragrance of flowers.
Identify the correct form of the underlined word.
A) felt B) feels C) feeling D) fellow
14. "A series of musical notes that are sung". Identify the word which gives the same meaning.
A) hum B) sing C) tune D) song
15. The tune of some song that used of hum while rocking my cradle.
Replace the underlined word with a suitable word.
A) on B) to C) off D) in

SECTION III
(APPRECIATION OF THE POEM)

Choose the correct answer as directed, from the given choices.

16. "I cannot remember my mother", The figure of speech used in the poem.
A) Simile. B) Personification
C) Metaphor D) Imagery.
17. The mood of the poet reflects in the poem is _____
A) Sadness. B) Worrying
C) Joyful/Happiness. D) Anxiety.
18. If we observe the poem, we find that
A) It has no rhyming words.
B) Each line has a rhyming word.
C) The rhyming word is after every two lines.
D) The rhyming word is after every four lines.

19. The poet expresses his inability to recall his _____
A) Mother's voice. B) Mother's face.
C) Mother's touch D) Mother's care.
20. The poet expressed that his mother's face has _____
A) spread in the kitchen. B) spread in the bedroom.
C) spread all over the sky D) spread all over the house.

SECTION IV
(CREATIVE WRITING)
(HOME ASSIGNMENT)

The answer to this question is to be submitted to your teacher on whatsapp or in a note book.

Here the poet had lost his mother at a tender age. You have a wonderful experience with your mother. Now write a small description about your mother. You can use the following hints.

- kindness and caring
- teaching values
- qualities you like in your mother
- how she should be with relatives and neighbours

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