Dear Life – Worksheet

Read the poem Dear Life by Maya C. Popa in https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poetrymagazine/poems/154208/dear-life and then complete the following questions.

Vocabulary/Grammar

1. Complete with the correct vocabulary from the text.

2. Match the word or phrase with its corresponding category and then write a synonym.

a) Appetite — I. Phrasal verb. _____.
b) Reel in — II. Noun. _____.
c) Keenly — III. Adverb. _____.

Reading Comprehension

3. What do you think is the main theme or themes of the poem? Why?

4. How would you describe the "*punishment*" mentioned in the following paragraph?

> *I have wanted all the world, its beauties*
> *and its injuries; some days,*
> *I think that is* ***punishment*** *enough.*

Critical thinking

5. How do you think the author sees life? Do you agree?

6. Which would you say is your favorite part of the poem? Why?

7. Imagine that you have written a poem about life, what would one of the sentences or verses say?