

Girls' High School & College, Prayagraj.

Work Sheet No. – 3

Session – (2020 – 2021)

Class – 2

Sections – (A to F)

Subject – English Literature

Topic – I WONDER

INSTRUCTIONS – Parents are expected to make the child read and understand the poem. The child must understand the explanation of the poem and then learn the given exercises.

Page 1 of 13

I WONDER 🤔

I wonder why the grass is so green, 🌱

And why the wind is never seen? 👁️👁️

Who taught the bird to build a nest? 🐦 🕊️

And told the trees to take a rest? 🌳 🌴 🌲

O, when the moon is not quite round, 🌘 🌙

Where can the missing bit be found? 🤔

Who lights the stars, when they blow out, ✨

And makes the lightning flash about? ⚡ ☁️

Who paints the rainbow in the sky, 🌈

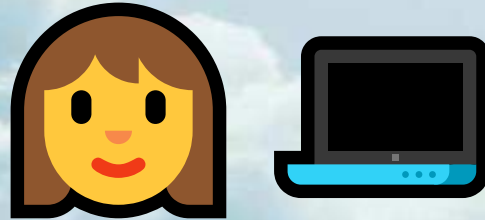
And hangs the fluffy clouds so high? ☁️ ☁️

Why is it now do you suppose, 🗨️

That Dad won't tell me, if he knows? 🙄

- By Jeannie Kirby

EXPLANATORY EXERCISES



ABOUT THE POEM – The poem “ I WONDER “ is a poem about an intelligent child who wants to know more about her surroundings and notices the world around her closely. In this poem the child wants to know about the wind, grass, birds, nest, moon, stars, rainbow, etc.

LINE WISE EXPLANATION:-

Line no. – 1) *I wonder why the grass is so green,*

Explanation – *The child wants to know why the colour of the grass is green.*

Line no. – 2) *And why the wind is never seen?*

Explanation – *The child wonders why she can only feel the wind but cannot see the wind.*

Line no. – 3) *Who taught the bird to built a nest?*

Explanation – *The child wonders that who has trained the birds to make such a perfect nest.*

Line no. – 4) *And told the trees to take a rest?*

Explanation – *The child wonders why the trees are always standing straight and do not sit down even once to take rest.*

Line no. – 5 & 6) *O, when the moon is not quite round,*

Where can the missing bit be found?

Explanation – *At night when the child does not*

see the full moon and sees the half-moon or the crescent moon, she wonders why it is not always round in shape and where is the missing portion of the moon.

Line no. – 7) *Who lights the stars, when they blow out,*

Explanation – *During the day, the child cannot see the stars. So, she wonders that who lights the stars at night.*

Line no. – 8) *And makes the lightning flash about?*

Explanation – *The child wonders who causes the lightning to flash.*

Line no. – 9) *Who paints the rainbow in the sky,*

Explanation – *The child wonders and wants to know that after the downpour (rain) who paints the rainbow with seven colours.*

Line no. – 10) *And hangs the fluffy clouds so high?*

Explanation – *When the child looks at the white clouds she wonders why they are so soft and who hangs them up so high in the sky.*

Line no. – 11 & 12) *Why is it now, do you suppose,*

That Dad won't tell me, if he knows?

Explanation – *Towards the end of the poem the child is a little angry with her father as she feels that he fails to answer her questions.*

EXERCISE – 1

WORDS

- Wonder

- Teach

- Bit

- Lightning

- Suppose

- Fluffy

MEANINGS

to want to know something.

to give someone lessons or Instructions so that he/she knows how to do something.

piece

a bright flash of light that appears in the sky during a storm and is usually followed by thunder.

to assume or think.

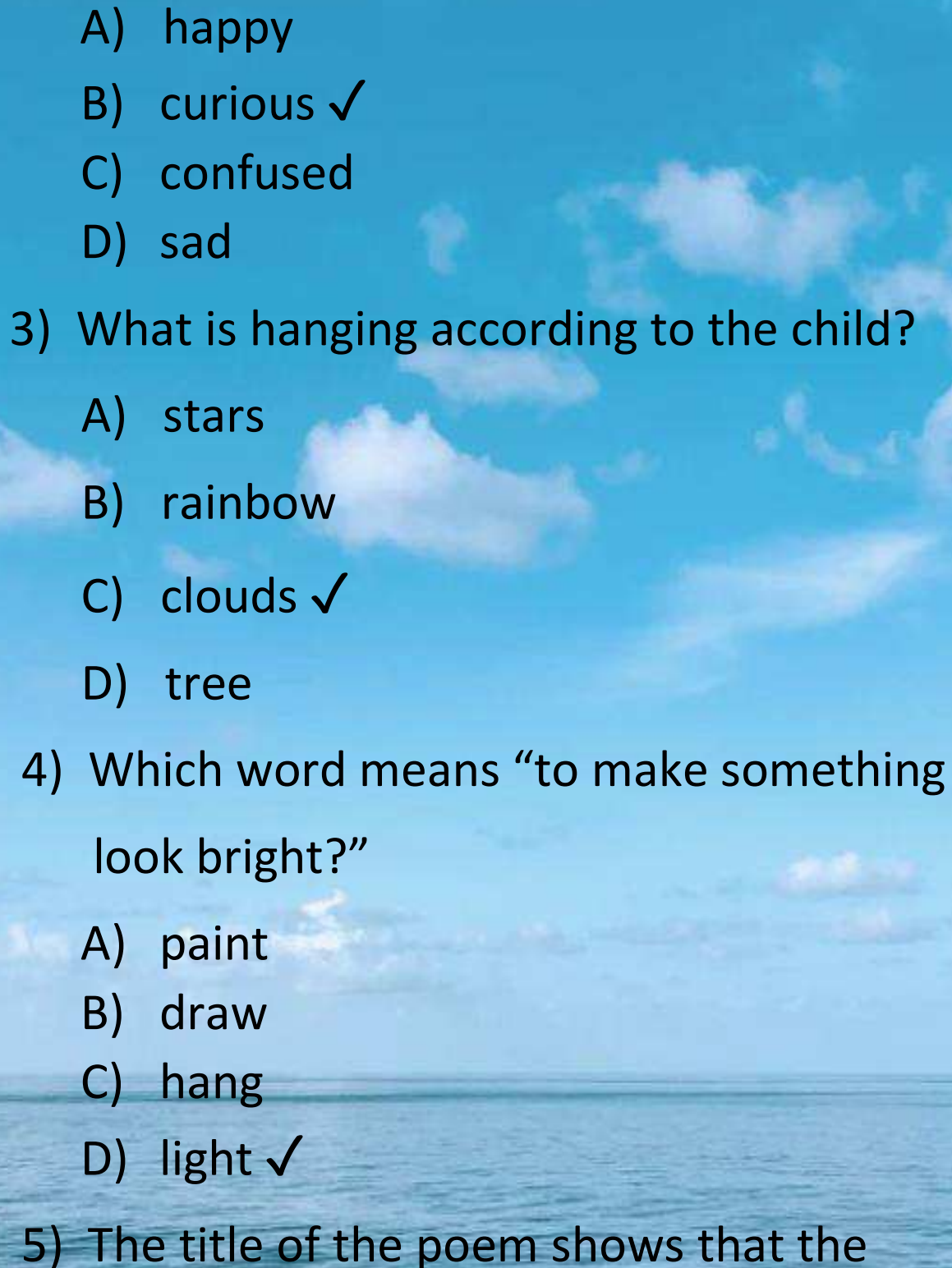
furry, fleecy, fuzzy.

- Missing lost
- Hang to tie something at the top so that the lower part is free or loose.

EXERCISE – 2

CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION

- 1) What does the use of the word “wonder” in the poem show?
 - A) thinking ✓
 - B) solving problems
 - C) making silly remarks
 - D) anger
- 2) The phrase “why the wind is never seen” tells us that the child is _____.

- 
- A) happy
- B) curious ✓
- C) confused
- D) sad
- 3) What is hanging according to the child?
- A) stars
- B) rainbow
- C) clouds ✓
- D) tree
- 4) Which word means “to make something look bright?”
- A) paint
- B) draw
- C) hang
- D) light ✓
- 5) The title of the poem shows that the

child has a _____.

- A) desire to know ✓
 - B) no desire to know
 - C) a lot of anger
 - D) very little patience
- 6) Whom is the child disappointed with?
- A) God
 - B) her father ✓
 - C) her mother
 - D) nature
- 7) What is invisible?
- A) the moon
 - B) the lightning

- C) the stars
- D) the wind ✓
- 8) Which one of the following are a pair of rhyming words from the poem?
- A) fluffy-clouds
- B) birds-build
- C) lightning-flash
- D) round-found ✓
- 9) The word fluffy means_____.
- A) feathery ✓
- B) rough
- C) crispy
- D) thin
- 10) Which animal and its home have been mentioned in the poem?

- A) dog-kennel
- B) lion-den
- C) bird-nest ✓
- D) horse-stable

*****THE END*****

