

Trees (Poem)

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Working with the Poem

1. What are the games or human activities which use trees, or in which trees also 'participate'?

Answer

The games or human activities which use trees are house making, playing hide and seek, cool shades in summer, fire camp parties in winter, fruits and many more.

2. (i) "Trees are to make no shade in winter." What does this mean? (Contrast this line with the line immediately before it.)

(ii) "Trees are for apples to grow on, or pears." Do you agree that one purpose of a tree is to have fruit on it? Or do you think this line is humorous?

Answer

(i) During winter time, we need sunlight not the cool shades of tree as it is already cold. In summer time, we need protection from sunlight and trees provide the cool shades.

(ii) Yes, one purpose of trees is to have fruits like apple or pears. This line is not humorous as apple and pears are most common fruit so poet used these two fruits name.

3. With the help of your partner, try to rewrite some lines in the poem, or add new ones of your own as in the following examples.

Trees are for birds to build nests in.
Trees are for people to sit under. Now try to compose a similar poem about water, or air.

Answer

Trees are for sweet fruits.
Trees take away our tiredness.
Trees are oxygen.

Drink water or bath with water,
You can never imagine life without water.
Pure water or impure water,
Save the every drop of water.



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