

SELF ASSESSMENT TEST

CLASS : IX

ENGLISH LITERATURE

I. "The waves beside them danced;

But they

Out-did the sparkling waves in glee :

A poet could not but be gay, in such a jocund company:

I gazed -and gazed – but little thought

What wealth the show to me had brought."

Answer the following questions:

01. Who was competing with the daffodils in dancing ? What was the competition and who won ? (2)
02. Give meaning of "Jocund". How will any poet be effected in such a company? (1.5)
03. Why does the poet say – "I gazed-and gazed- but little thought, what wealth the show to me had brought." (2)
04. Give meaning of –  
(a) glee,                      (b) sparkling                      (c) jocund.                      (1.5)
05. Which "show" keeps the poet mesmerized? What question arises in his mind. (3)

II. "Some are meet for a maiden's wrist,  
Silver and blue as the mountain mist,  
Some are flushed like the buds that dream.  
On the tranquil brow of a woodland stream.  
Some are aglow with the bloom that cleaves.  
To the limpid glory of new born leaves."

Answer the following questions.

01. Who is narrator and what is the talking about? (2)

02. How has the poet described the bangles? (2)

03. Explain the expression-

"as the mountain mist"

"brow of a woodland stream." And

"limpid glory of new born leaves." (3)

04. What theme does the "Bangles" talk about in the poem? (2)

05. Why does the concept of bangles hold no importance in today's era?