

English (New Book) - ICS Part 1 English Chapter 29 Short Questions Test

Q1. How does the poet compare men with animals in the poem "Leisure"?

Ans 1: The poet put many examples for us that indicate that we are leading a life worse than the animals. He says that we have no time to stand under the green and shady trees. He does not look at the branches covered with blooming flowers; we do not enjoy the smile of the Beauty that begins with his eyes.

Q2. What is the poet trying to say in the last two lines of the poem "Leisure"?

Ans 1: In the last two lines of the poem "Leisure", the poet is trying to say that if we have no time to enjoy the beauties of nature, then we are leading a poor and pitiable life.

Q3. What does the poet emphasize in "Leisure"?

Ans 1: The poet emphasizes that we should not indulge in material things of life. We should also spare some time to enjoy the beauties of nature such as green boughs, the starry streams, the Beauty's glance, the shining eyes, smiling lips and the dancing feet of the Doll of beauty.

Q4. What kind of the delights do we miss in our daily life because of lack of time?

Ans 1: We being the busy people, we miss the delights of shades of bright shining streams. We miss the delights of wonderful smile of Doll of beauty. We miss all these because of lack of time.

Q5. Which weakness of the modern man is mentioned in the poem "Leisure"?

Ans 1: The poem "Leisure" unveils the materialistic nature of man. It is the weakness of the modern man that he has become materialistic, selfish and mean. He gives no time to enjoy the beauty of nature. The poet calls it "a poor life".

Q6. What is meant by personification? What personification has been used in the poem "Leisure"?

Ans 1: When non-living things are regarded as living things, they are said to be personified. For example, the plate runs the train, snorts etc. In this poem "Leisure", beauty has been personified. Here this word stands for a beautiful woman.

Q7. What is the main idea of the poem "The Leisure"?

Ans 1: Life is short and there are countless because of nature. The poet says that we are busy and materialistic persons. We have no time to enjoy and look at the wonders around us and watch Beauty's glance. The poet therefore calls this life "a poor life" and a life full of cares.

Q8. Why does the poet lament in the poem?

Ans 1: The poet laments over the indulgence of modern man in worldly affairs. He says that man has no time to see even the charming smile of the Beauty. Such busy life is miserable.

Q9. What message does the poet give in the poem Leisures.

Ans 1: The poet gives message in the poem that man should free some leisure hours to enjoy the beauty of Nature.

Q10. When does the life of a man become poor ?

Ans 1: The poet says that we are so busy in coping with daily routine of life that we have no time to enjoy and look at the wonders around us. He calls this life " a poor life and " a life full of cares ". Thus, when man leads a materialistic life it becomes a " poor life".
