

PRACTICE SHEET

Subject: English	Topic: On Killing a Tree		
Grade: IX	Div.:	Roll No:	Date:

Q 1 Read the given extracts and answer the following questions.

(a) So hack and chop

But this alone won't do it.

- i. What is the poet talking about?
- ii. What will not happen with only hacking and chopping?
- iii. How will it heal itself?
- iv. Give the synonym of 'hack'.
- (b) Browning, hardening

Twisting, withering

And then it is done.

- i. What undergoes browning, hardening, twisting and withering'?
- ii. What causes the above processes?
- iii. 'And then it is done'- Explain.
- iv. Find the synonym of drying up or wilting.

Q 2 Answer each of the following sentences in 30-40 words.

- (a) Why has the hide of the tree been called leprous?
- (b) What is meant by 'years of sunlight, air and water'?
- (c) What will rise from 'close to the ground' after the bark is hacked and chopped? Why?
- (d) In the phrase 'consuming the earth', who consumes the earth and how?

Q 3 Answer each of the following sentences in 100-150 words.

- (a) What does the root of the tree look like when it is pulled out of the earth-cave? What happens to it when it is left exposed?
- (b) How does a tree grow up?