

LIFE

1. **What kind of life the poet wants to live?**
The poet wants to live a happy life.
2. **Who does 'me' refer to?**
'Me' refers to the poet.
3. **Why do you think the poet is not in a hurry?**
Because he neither wants to hurry nor move away from his goal.
4. **What should one not mourn for?**
One shouldn't for the past loss.
5. **How does he want to live?**
He wants to live boldly and willingly.
6. **Is the poet in a hurry?**
No, the poet is not hurry.
7. **Is the poet afraid of future?**
No, he is not.
8. **What does the poet mean by the phrase 'in the dim past'?**
It means sad past.
9. **How does the poet travel?**
He travels with cheer.
10. **What does the poet pay to youth and age?**
He pays toll to youth and age.
11. **How can one travel on with cheer?**
With whole and happy heart one can travel on with cheer.
12. **How is the way of life?**
It is rough and smooth.
13. **How should be the journey of life?**
It should be happy.
14. **What did the poet seek as a boy?**
He sought new friendship, high adventure and a crown.
15. **What does crown means?**
'Crown' means prize.
16. **What kind of quest does the poet seek here?**
What is the poet's quest?
He seeks for the courageous quest.
17. **What does 'quest' means?**
Quest means long search.
18. **What is the poet's hope?**
The last part of his life will be the best.

THE GRUMBLE FAMILY

19. **Where does the family live?**
The family lives in a complaining street.
20. **Why do you think the street is named as 'complaining street'?**
Its people always complain about others.

21. **Why do they find everything 'amiss'?**
Because they aren't satisfied.
22. **What does 'growl' mean here?**
'Growl' means make a low voice.
23. **What does 'gloomy' mean here?**
Gloomy means sad.
24. **What is the opinion about the folks you meet down the street?**
They complain about them.
25. **What do they growl at?**
They growl at the rain and the sun.
26. **What happens if everything pleased them?**
They growl for having nothing to grumble.
27. **What does grumbler means?**
Grumbler means a person who complains.
28. **What are the ways of the grumble family?**
Grumbling about others is the grumble family's way.
29. **What is the poet's advice?**
We shouldn't grumble.
30. **What is the wisest thing that the poet suggests?**
Staying away from complaining street is the wisest thing.
31. **What does the phrase 'to keep our feet from wandering' refer to?**
It refers not to enter complaining street.
32. **What should we do when things go wrong sometimes?**
We should not worry.
33. **What does the poet expect everyone to learn?**
We should walk with a smile and song.
34. **What does jumble?**
Jumble means confusion.
35. **What does 'humble' means?**
Humble means 'polite'.

I AM EVERY WOMAN

36. **How does a woman symbolize?**
A woman symbolizes power.
37. **How is a woman?**
A woman is beauty innate.
38. **What does 'stake' mean?**
Stake means risk.
39. **What does 'fake' mean?**
Fake means unreal.
40. **How does she consider life?**
How does she take life?
She considers it positively.
41. **What does the word summer mean here?**

It means hard times of women's life.

42. What does she mean by spring will come again?

Good time of life will come again.

43. How does she deal with adversities in life?

She deals with adversities in life with persistence.

44. What is she strong about?

She is strong about her faith.

45. Is she complaining about the problems of life?

No, she is not complaining about the problems of life.

46. What is the tone of the author?

Anger is the poetess' tone.

47. What do the words 'thaw' and 'saw' mean here?

'Thaw' means tackle. Saw means treat cruelly.

48. Who is a lioness?

Today's woman is a lioness.

49. Who is a prankster?

A prankster is a mischievous person.

50. How should a woman be treated?

She should be treated with love and respect.

51. Is the poet talking about the women of the previous generation?

No, she is talking about today's woman.

THE ANT AND THE CRICKET

52. Name the seasons mentioned here?

They are spring and summer.

53. What was the routine of the cricket?

It was singing.

54. Why was his cupboard empty?

Because it didn't save grains.

55. Who began to complain? Why?

The cricket began to complain. Its cupboard was empty.

56. Why was the ground covered with snow?

Because it was winter season.

57. What is crumb?

It's a piece of bread.

58. What couldn't he find on the ground?

No grain was found on the ground.

59. Why did the cricket drip and tremble?

It was winter.

60. What made the cricket bold?

Starvation and hunger made it bold.

61. What would keep him alive?

What will keep the cricket alive?

Shelter and grains from the ant would keep him alive.

62. Give the meaning of famine.

It means 'great shortage of food'.

63. Whom did the cricket want to meet?

It met an ant for food.

64. What did it want to borrow?

It wanted to borrow grain.

65. Why do you think ants neither borrow nor lend?

Because they fulfill their needs themselves.

66. What did the ant ask the cricket?

The ant asked it if it saved any food.

67. What was the nature of the cricket? How do you know?

The cricket was a poor planner. It sang day and night and never saved anything.

68. The ant refused to help the cricket. Why?

Because it was lazy.

69. Who says these lines to whom?

The ant says it to the cricket.

THE SECRET OF THE MACHINES

70. Who are we?

'We' refers to machines.

71. How are they made to fit?

They are made to fit by assembling and gauging.

72. Where are the metals melted?

They are melted in the furnace.

73. What do they ask for?

They ask for water, coal and oil.

74. Who are you?

Who does the pronoun 'you' refer to here?

You refers to human beings.

75. Whose task is referred to as 'our task' here?

'Our task' refers to the task of machines.

76. What should we remember?

Machines follow the law of obedience.

77. What does the smoke hide?

It hides heaven.

78. When do stars shine?

They shine when the smoke disappears.

79. How are machines not built?

They can't understand a lie.

80. What does 'haul' mean?

Haul means drag.

81. What does 'filed' mean?

Filed means rubbed.