

I AM THE LAND

- 1) The speaker uses the phrase "I wait" in the poem to show her _____
A. disgust B. annoyance **C. patience** D. anger
- 2). The earth stares with _____
A. car lot eyes B. dark eyes C. angry eyes D. merciful eyes
3. Then 'someone tickles me' says the earth refer to
A. mining of the earth B. digging the earth for selfish activities C. Joking the earth
D. the farmers ploughing the earth.
- 4) Man has fenced between the countries. But the earth feels at the fence between the countries as _____.
A. a beautiful garland to her B. Protection to her property C. mischief of man **D. chain link necklace choking her**
5. The line from the poem "I am the land" which expresses the self assertion of the earth is.....
A. I am the land, I wait B. You come with guns
C. you can put a fence around the earth D. I lie patient
6. Who does 'you' refer to in the poem 'I m The Land' ?
A. people B. farmers C. soldiers D. living beings
7. "chain link necklace chokes me"- The figure of speech employed here is
A. personification B. metaphor C. simile D. synecdoche
8. "muddy holes" refers to
A. virtual holes in the land B. intention of the C. commotion created by the reader D. holes full of mud
9. In the poem I am The Land 'the line' 'car lot eyes' refer to
A. ploughing of the earth B. light reflected by the earth
C. Moon light reflected by the earth **D. Perception as if the earth were staring with the lights of the car parked on it**
10. The speaker in the poem 'I am the Land' is
A. The sun B. The moon C. A woman **D. The earth**

Answer in 2-3 sentence each.

1.1 Wait is repeated in 5 times In the poem. What quality of speaker is highlighted with the repetitions?

Ans.: Human beings are troubling the earth. They say that they own the lands proclaim that the land is theirs. Mother earth has an ocean of patience and bears all the cruelty committed by man.

2. Bring out the contrast between the speaker and the reader in the poem.

Ans.: The speaker in the poem is land. It says that it is always patient and bears all that is done to it. The reader uses the land in many ways. He digs the land, grows fruits and trees and even fights for land

3. What are the activities which go on over land?

Ans.: Man buys land, digs land and plants trees, grows fruit on it. Children dance and play on land. Man also fences and makes boundaries over the land

4. You cannot put a fence, Around the planet Earth. is this a tone of weakness or self assertion? Give reason for your answer.

It is a tone of self assertion. The poet mocks at those who are greedy. They involve in wars to acquire more land. The earth has given everything to us. Whatever injustice we are doing, the earth bears everything patiently. We cannot put a fence around the mother earth

5 .How is the action of soldiers affect the earth?

Ans: the soldiers come with guns and shoot from their country to their enemy country. They put fence between the countries. This affect the earth with the choking. The fence appear to be the choking necklace

Extracts :

1. “You come with guns a chain link necklace chokes me now.”

A) Who came with guns?

Ans: The soldiers came with guns to fight against their enemies.

B) Who is choked here?

Ans : The earth is choked by the war mongers.

C) How do we chock the earth?

Ans-The fence between the nations is like a necklace around the neck of the earth.It choked the earth

2. "YOU CANNOT PUT A FENCE AROUND THE PTANET EARTH"

A) Who cannot put fence around the earth?

Ans: People cannot put fence around the earth.

B) What is the mood of the speaker expressed here?

Ans; The earth is in a mood of self assertion

c) Why does it feel so?

Ans.: The speaker mocks at the people who wage wars and build fences on the land to divide nations

3. “You say you own me, I wait”

A) Who does 'You' and 'I 'refer to?

Ans: people

B) What is owned here? Why does the person wait?

Ans: People own the earth. But the earth waits with patience.

4. “Then some tickles me plant life...fruits”

a). What does tickle mean in the context?

Ans : plough the land

b. What is the mood of the speaker in the statement?

Ans- the mother earth wait patiently when the people plough the land, plant trees and grows fruits

c.

Write the summary of the poem –“I am the land” OR How does the poet describe that the earth has an ocean of patience in the poem, -“I am the land”

Ans.: In the poem, I am the land the poet depicts the mother earth as the speaker. Mother earth tells that she waits with patience when people claim that the land belongs to them. They occupy the land, plough, plant trees, grow fruits and grass. The children dance and play on the land. The land bears everything without a complaint. The soldiers come with guns fighting for the land. People build fences on the land to divide nations which suffocates like chains in her neck. But mother earth mocks at the people’s behavior with a tone of self assertion.