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Chapter 5 : Leisure

(Questions and answers from the back of the chapter)

This entire work must be done neatly in the English Literature copy (C.B.)

A. Answer these questions.

Q1. Why does the speaker feel that we have no time to ‘stand and stare’?

Ans. The speaker feels that we have no time to stand and stare because we all are always in a hurry and nobody pays attention to the surroundings .

Q2. According to the speaker, what are the simple delights that we miss out on in our busy lives ?

Ans. According to the speaker, we miss out the elements in nature which are in abundance.

Q3. What message does the speaker wish to convey through the poem?

Ans. The speaker wanted an emphasis on life which is full of care. Life is full of worry and anxiety, due to which we don’t even get time to appreciate the excellent beauty of nature .

B. Answer these questions with reference to the context.

1. No time to see..... like skies at night.

a. What according to the speaker, do squirrels do in the woods ?

Ans. According to the speaker, the squirrels hide their nuts in the grass.

b. What do we not have the time to see in broad daylight ?

Ans. We do not have the time to see streams sparkling in broad daylight.

c. What does the speaker mean by ‘streams full of stars’?

Ans. The speaker describes the beauty of the streams . He says that when the rays of sun fall upon the stream, the water sparkles and shines and the stream looks like stars in the sky at night.

2. A poor life.....to stand and stare.

a. Why does the speaker say that life is poor ?

Ans. According to the speaker, the life is poor because a person is so entangled in his daily routine, his responsibilities, worries, and problems that he has no spare time to relax and enjoy the beauty of nature and his wonderful surroundings.

b. What does the speaker mean by the second line ?

Ans. The speaker is telling us about our hectic life that we are leading where we have no time to admire the nature around us.

c. What should we do in life to make it more meaningful and enriching?

Ans. We must make our life more relaxing, soothing and should enjoy the beauty of nature leaving the hectic mechanical life behind .