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Chapter 14: A NAUGHTY LITTLE COMET [poem]

(Questions and answers from the back of the chapter)

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

Answer these questions.

Q1. What did the comet love to do ?

Ans. The comet loved to wander out at night and jump about and play.

Q2. Why did the mother star scold the little comet ?

Ans. The mother star scolded the little comet for venturing out too far.

Q3. What did the comet do instead of growing cautious of the ogre ?

Ans. The comet instead of growing cautious and showing proper fear edged up nearer and nearer to the sun.

Q4. Why did the mother star's cheeks grow wan and pale ?

Ans. The mother star's cheek grew wan and pale because she knew that the life of the comet was in danger.

Q5. How did the fun end for the gay comet ?

Ans. The gay comet went a bit too far and vanished in the sun.

II. Answer the following questions with reference to the context :

1. But instead of growing cautious and of showing proper fear,

The foolish little comet edged up nearer, and more near .

a. Who should the comet be afraid of ?

Ans. The comet should be afraid of the sun .

b. Why and who told the comet to be cautious ?

Ans. The old mother star told the comet to be cautious because she had lived in the sky for million years and she knew how the gay comets come to an end.

2. And as she talked and tossed her head and switched her shining trail,

The staid old mother star grew sad, her cheeks grew wan and pale .

a. Who is 'she' in the above stanza ?

Ans. The naughty little comet is referred to as 'she' in the above stanza.

b. What does growing 'wan and pale' signify ?

Ans. The phrase 'wan and pale' signifies tired, sickly or weak appearance.

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