



NAS Based Poem Comprehension

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Read the poem given below and answer the questions that follow:

The World

Great, wide, beautiful, wonderful World,

With the wonderful water round you curled,

And the wonderful grass upon your breast—

World, you are beautifully drest.

The wonderful air is over me,

And the wonderful wind is shaking the tree,

It walks on the water, and whirls the mills,

And talks to itself on the tops of the hills.

You friendly Earth, how far do you go,

With the wheat-fields that nod and the rivers that flow,

With cities and gardens, and cliffs, and isles,

And people upon you for thousands of miles?

Ah! you are so great, and I am so small,

I tremble to think of you, World, at all;

And yet, when I said my prayers to-day,

A whisper inside me seemed to say,

'You are more than the Earth, though you are such a dot:

You can love and think, and the Earth cannot!'

Q1. The phrase 'beautifully drest' refers to:

- (a) having gaudy dress
- (b) decorated with nature's beauty
- (c) wearing costly dresses
- (d) wearing cheap but beautiful dresses.

Q2. Who is shaking the tree?

- (a) wind
- (b) mills
- (c) river
- (d) all of these

Q3. The wind in the poem talks to_____

- (a) passersby
- (b) trees
- (c) clouds
- (d) itself

Q4. The poet calls the earth_____

- (a) unfriendly
- (b) friendly
- (c) proud
- (d) kind.

Q5. The phrase 'such a dot' means:

- (a) so small
- (b) so fat
- (c) so big
- (d) so kind.

