

POEM APPRECIATION

Lines Written in Early Spring' is a beautiful poem written by world famous nature poet William words worth. It is an exciting poem. The poet was a great lover of nature. . He describes the beauty of nature in a great manner. The poet says that man has to live happily with nature. He looks the nature around him very closely. He was happy with the sounds of animals and music of birds. The poet was happy and excited to see the beautiful scenes in nature.

The birds around him express the thrill of pleasure by hopping and playing in the grove. He feels that the birds and flowers are very happy in nature. He wonders why man has moved away from Nature. Man destroys nature for his benefit. The poet was sad and upset over the cruel activities of human being. Man should not harm the nature. It gives us a lot of benefits. Nature is a great blessing to human being.

The poem is full of images. The poet uses various poetic devices to make the poem more meaningful and interesting. It is written in simple and easy language. It is a perfect poem.

FIGURE OF SPEECH

Different types of figures of speech are used in poem to add the beauty and meaning of the poem.

a. SIMILE

A simile is a comparison between two unlike things using the words "like" or "as."

b. METAPHOR

A metaphor makes a comparison between two unlike things or ideas, without the words' like 'or 'as'.

c. PERSONIFICATION

Personification gives human qualities to non-living things or ideas.

POETIC DEVICES

I. Alliteration

Alliteration is the repetition of words beginning with the same consonant in a line.

IMAGES

Visual image : The birds around me hopped and played

The grove, the green bower, the flowers- primrose and periwinkle, tufts, budding twigs spread out their fans.

Auditory image : I heard a thousand blended notes

Tactile image : The gentle breeze

Alliteration : **m**an has **m**ade of **m**an

Personification

: To **her** fair work did Nature link

: And ' tis my faith that every flower /enjoys the air it **breaths**

The budding twigs spread out their fan/ to **catch** the breezy air

Rhyme scheme : ABAB

Read these lines and answer the following questions

I. "I heard a thousand blended notes,
While in a grove I sate reclined,
In that sweet mood when pleasant thoughts
Bring sad thoughts to the mind.

To her fair works did Nature link
The human soul that through me ran;
And much it grieved my heart to think
What man has made of man?

Questions

- 1) Where was the poet reclining?
- 2) Why was the poet sad?
- 3) Pick out an example of an auditory image from the above lines.
- 4) Identify the speaker.

Answers

1. The poet was reclining in a grove.
2. Men's destructive activities on nature
3. Blended notes
4. The poet

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