



UNIT 1  
GLIMPSES OF GREEN  
POEM-1 LINES WRITTEN IN EARLY SPRING

Let's recap the first four stanzas.

- The poem celebrates the relation between man and nature.
- The poet associates himself with nature and at the same time laments on what man has made of man.
- The poet believes that every flower enjoys its existence in nature.
- The birds around him express their thrill of pleasure by hopping and playing in the grove.

Now, let's go through the lines.

The budding twigs .....What man has made of man?

Let's familiarize some words and their meanings.

WORD	MEANING
twigs	a small thin terminal branch of a woody plant
breeze	light wind
pleasure	happiness
holy	divine / connected with God
lament	to express grief or sorrow for something

Let's answer the questions given below.

1. Why did the budding twigs spread out their fan?
2. What is the holy plan of Nature mentioned here?
3. Do the last two lines convey the message of the poem? How?
4. "What man has made of man." Identify the figure of speech used in this line.



**Let's do this activity.**

**I. Now, read the following lines and prepare a note of appreciation.**

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

**Guidelines**

- About the author and the theme
- Paraphrasing (Explaining the ideas)
- Poetic devices
  - Figures of speech – simile, metaphor, personification etc.,
  - Sounds – rhyme, rhythm, alliteration, assonance etc.,
  - Imageries – visual, tactile, auditory, olfactory, gustatory
- Message conveyed by the poet
- Significance or relevance of the poem
- Your understanding or feelings

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