

CBSE Class – 7 English
NCERT solution
Honeycomb Chapter – 5
Trees - Poem

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Working with the Poem

Question 1. What are the games or human activities which use trees, or in which trees also ‘participate’?

Solution:

The trees are used to make tree houses, to swing swings, to play hide and seek, to get shade in summer, to build fire for camp parties in winter, to get fruits and wood and for many more things.

Question 2. (i) “Trees are to make no shade in winter.” What does this mean? (Contrast this line with the line immediately before it.)

(ii) “Trees are for apples to grow on, or pears.” Do you agree that one purpose of a tree is to have fruit on it? Or do you think this line is humorous?

Solution:

(i) During winter time, we make use of tree wood to build a fire to feel warm. In summer time, we need protection from sunlight and trees provide the cool shades.

(ii) Well trees make fruits to hide their seeds to make more trees. And these fruits are food for us. So in a way, this line is humorous as trees let fruits grow on them and the people who eat these fruits grow beneath them.

Question 3. With the help of your partner, try to rewrite some lines in the poem, or add new ones of your own as in the following examples.

Trees are for birds to build nests in. Trees are for people to sit under.

Now try to compose a similar poem about water, or air.

Solution:

Trees are for sweet fruits. Trees take away our tiredness. Trees are oxygen.

Drink water or bathe in water,

You can never imagine life without water. Pure water or impure water,

Save the every drop of water.