

**CBSE Class – 7 English**  
**NCERT solution**  
**Honeycomb Chapter – 6**  
**Mystery of the Talking Fan - Poem**

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**Working with the Poem**

**Question 1. Fans don't talk, but it is possible to imagine that they do. What is it then, that sounds like the fan's chatter?**

**Solution:**

The poet imagined that the sound coming from the fan was its chatter. Actually, there was a sound due to friction between the parts of its motor. They needed oiling.

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**Question 2. Complete the following sentences.**

**(i) The chatter is electrical because .....**

**(ii) It is mysterious because .....**

**Solution:**

**(i)** The chatter is electrical because it is the sound of the parts of motor that runs on electricity

**(ii)** It is mysterious because the sound produced by the fan seems to say something but the poet is unable to understand it.

**Question 3. What do you think the talking fan was demanding?**

**Solution:**

The talking fan was demanding oiling of its motorparts.

**Question 4. How does an electric fan manage to throw so much air when it is switched on?**

**Solution:**

When an electric fan is switched on, its motor starts whirling i.e. rotating which makes the metallic blades move, cutting the air and we can feel the moving air.

**Question 5. Is there a 'talking fan' in your house? Create a dialogue between the fan and a mechanic.**

**Solution:**

Yes, i have a metallic fan in my house.

Mechanic: How are you doing?

Fan: Not well, Suffering from the heat and friction. Can you do something? Mechanic: I will try to help you. Let me check you first.

Fan: Yes, sure. Please do your best and help me. Mechanic: I will. Please wait, let me finish my job. Fan: Go ahead.

(After repairing)

Mechanic: Now, are you okay?

Fan: Yes, now i am feeling well. It feels so good.

Mechanic: That is great. Remember me when you are in trouble. Fan: Yes, i will. Thanks for helping me. Greetings to you.

Mechanic: You are welcome. Bye. Take care. Fan: Bye. You too take care.