

INTERNATIONAL INDIAN SCHOOL, RIYADH

WORKSHEET

STD XI

SUBJECT: ENGLISH

A PHOTOGRAPH

1. Why has the poet used the word cardboard to denote a photograph?
2. How long has the poet's mother been dead?
3. Explain 'terribly transient feet'.
4. What is the poet and her mother's past?
5. Do you think the poet and her mother accept their loss easily?
6. What is the circumstance referred to in the last stanza?
7. Explain 'silence silences'.
8. What are the three phases mentioned in the poem?

THE VOICE OF THE RAIN

1. Who do the two voices in the poem belong to?
2. Explain the phrase 'strange to tell'.
3. What according to the rain are its various functions?
4. What does the rain mean when it says 'I give back life to my own origin'?
5. Do you think it matters to the rain whether its contribution is acknowledged or not?

CHILDHOOD

1. What are the three phases mentioned in the poem?
2. Why does the poet refer to the adults as hypocrites?
3. At which stage does the child's individuality come to the forefront?
4. When does the child recollect his childhood?

FATHER TO SON

1. What has created the distance between the father and the son?
2. How does the father try to bridge the gap?
3. Why are the father's efforts a failure?
4. Why does anger grow from grief?
5. Do you think this is a universal problem? Why does this happen?