

Chapter- 8

Little Raindrops

STUDY NOTES

At a glance



- This poem by Ann Hawkshaw is about a little girl who speaks to the rain.
- The little girl is unable to play outside because it is raining.
- It says about the feelings of a child who is standing at the window, looking out and complaining about restrictions due to rain.

Word basket

1. pitter patter – sound of raindrops
2. window pane – a flat piece of glass used in a window
3. out of doors – outside
4. rain drops – drops of rain

1. Get Going

1. Why does the little girl complain?

Ans: The little girl complains about not going out due to rain..

2. What sound do raindrops make?

A- They make 'pitter-patter' sound.

3. Find out the pairs of rhyming words in the poem.

A- rain-windowpane, play-today, pat-that

4. Who is the speaker speaking to?

A- The speaker is talking to herself.

5. How do the raindrops speak?

A- The raindrops speak by the pitter-patter sound.

6. Why can't the speaker go out?

A- The speaker can't go out as it is raining.

Read the following extract and answer the questions:

A. "Oh! Where do you come from?"

1. Who asks this to whom?

Ans- A little girl asks this to the rain drops.

2. Is the little girl happy or sad?

Ans- The little girl is sad as she is unable to play outside.

3. What sound does the rain make?

Ans- It makes 'pitter patter' sound..

B. "Tell me, little raindrops

Is that the way you play?"

1. What does 'way' mean in the extract?

Ans- 'Way' means how the raindrops fall and play with nature.

2. Do you like to enjoy rain?

Ans- Yes, I like to enjoy rain.

3. What do you do when it rains?

Ans- I sit near the window with some hot drink and pakoras to enjoy it.

Vocabulary junction

1. Fill in the blanks with correct homonyms from the box.

- a. I want to play with a bat and a ball . I think I saw a bat flying right outside my window next.
- b. Renu keeps her valuables in the bank . Raghu sat on the bank of the river .
- c. She was sitting close to my mother . Please close the door when you leave .
- d. Tanu is not present in the class . Ronu gave a beautiful present to Tia on her birthday .
- e. I love to buy different items at the fair. She is tall and fair.
- f. Beam of light from the torch are the only source of light. The wooden beam broke and the roof came down.

2. Form pairs of sentences expressing the 2 different meanings of each of the following words.

- a. fine – I am fine now.

He paid a fine of 100 rupees.

- b. close – please close the window.

He was very close to win.

- c. bat – He hit 100 runs with his bat.

The bat made a shrill noise.

- d. sink – The ship will not sink.

The sink was filled with water.

- e. well – He knows me very well.

The well dried up in last summer.

- f. bank – My father works at a bank.

The river bank was surrounded by coconut trees.

Grammar junction

1. Underline the verb and then identify its tense. Write the name of the tense in the space provided.

- a. The teacher is smiling at her students. **Present continuous**
- b. I will be baking a cake this time tomorrow. **Future continuous**
- c. Everyone was laughing at her uncle's jokes. **Past continuous**
- d. This time next Monday I will be writing my exam. **Future continuous**
- e. I am making a sketch for my art exam. **Present continuous**

2. Complete the table with the correct forms of the verb

Present Tense	Past Tense	Future Tense	Present Continuous Tense	Past Continuous Tense	Future Continuous Tense
try / tries	tried	will try	is/am/are trying	was/were trying	will be trying
fly / flies	flew	will fly	is/am/are flying	was/were flying	will be flying
read / reads	read	will read	is/am/are reading	was/were reading	will be reading
walk / walks	walked	will walk	is/am/are walking	was/were walking	will be walking
Look / looks	Looked	Will look	is/am/are looking	was/were looking	will be looking
Drive / drives	Drove	Will drive	is/am/are driving	was/were driving	will be driving
Eat / eats	ate	Will eat	is/am/are eating	was/were eating	will be eating

3. Fill in the blanks with the correct forms of the verbs.

- a. I watched this movie for the first time.
- b. I think somebody heard our conversation yesterday.
- c. I will watch the tennis match tomorrow.
- d. Rushika will be staying in Chandigarh for a few days .
- e. She was working all night for her exam tomorrow.

Writing junction**Write a short paragraph on:**

Mars is a lovely planet. I am travelling in the time machine to reach the planet mars. I am seeing the rocks. I am very excited to see how the people will make their house here. Few scientists are working in their laboratories. Now I am searching for some water and feeling hungry too. Look I found some food and I am enjoying it.

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