

# **FIRST FLIGHT**

## **STD-X**

**SUBJECT : ENGLISH**

**CHAPTER NUMBER: 4**

**CHAPTER NAME : AMANDA**

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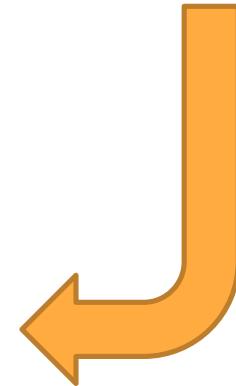
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# RECAPITULATION

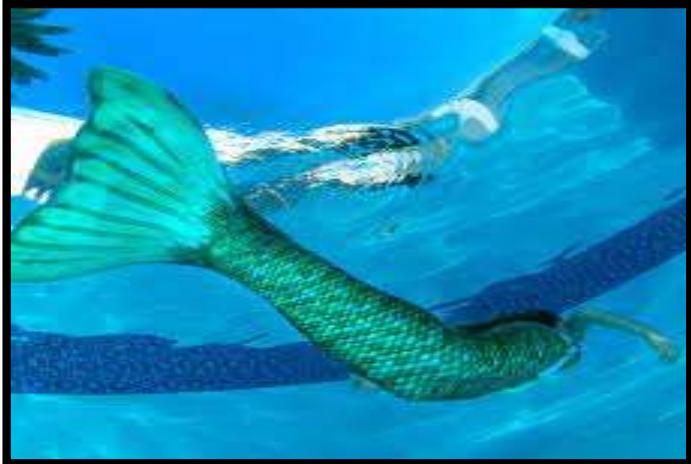
Don't bite your nails, Amanda!  
Don't hunch your shoulders, Amanda!  
Stop that slouching and sit up straight,  
Amanda!

- (a) Amanda is getting instructions for what purpose?
- (b) Give a synonym of 'hunch'.
- (c) What does the speaker of above lines instruct Amanda in the first stanza?
- (d) What is the literary device used in the third line?



# AMAMDA DOESN'T BOTHER

Amanda doesn't bother what her mother wants, she is lost in her dreamy world. She imagines as if she were in a quite emerald sea. There is no one there except her. There, she moves around freely and blissfully like a mermaid.



# MOTHER GIVES INSTRUCTIONS

Amanda's mother asks if she has finished her homework. She asks if she has made her room tidy or not. Amanda has not cleaned her shoes yet. Her mother has already asked her to clean her shoes.



## AMANDA PREFERS TO BE AN ORPHAN

Amanda doesn't want to be instructed at every step. She wants to lead her own kind of life. She prefers to be an orphan roaming aimlessly around the streets. She wants to walk over the soft dust with her bare feet. She wants her bare feet to leave patterns or designs on the dust. She wants to lead a silent and peaceful life. She wants to preserve her freedom. It is the sweetest thing to her in life.



# NO CHOCOLATE

Amanda's mother instructs her not to eat chocolate. She must remember that she has acne. Eating chocolate can create problem for her. Amanda doesn't bother what her mother is saying. Nor does she look at her mother when she is giving her instructions. The mother expects her to look towards her while she is speaking



ACNE!!!!  
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# AMANDA BECOMES RAPUNZEL

Again, Amanda doesn't care a bit what her mother says. She is again lost in her dreamy world. She imagines herself as Rapunzel living in a lonely tower. In that tower, life is free from all cares. It is rare peace and tranquility that prevails there all the time. She is proud of her beautiful hair as Rapunzel was. She will certainly never let down her bright hair like her.



# POETIC DEVICES

**Anaphora:** Repeated use of a word at start of two or more lines (did you finish....did you tidy)

**Assonance:** use of vowel sound 'o' (Thought, told, you, your, shoes)

use of vowel sound 'e' and 'o' (Will you please look at me when I'm speaking to you

**Repetition:** use of word 'Amanda'

**Metaphor:** silence is golden - silence is said to be glorious like golden colour

freedom is sweet - freedom is said to be sweet in taste.

**Allusion:** use of famous fairy tale character Rapunzel

**Consonance:** use of sound 'r' (I am Rapunzel; I have not a care ....Bright hair)

**Alliteration:** 'Stop that sulking' - 's' sound is repeated at the start of closely placed words

**Repetition:** use of word 'Amanda'



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