

## KEEPING QUIET

1. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

Those who prepare green wars,  
wars with gas, wars with fire,  
victory with no survivors,  
would put on clean clothes  
and walk about with their brothers  
in the shade, doing nothing

i. Explain the following expressions:

- A. Green War
- B. Wars with Gas

ii. Explain: "Victory with no survivors".

iii. why does the poet mean by "Clean Cloths"?

2. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

It would be an exotic moment  
without rush, without engines,  
we would all be together  
in a sudden strangeness.

i. What does the poet mean to say with, exotic moment'.

- A. A beautiful time of celebration
- B. A time of discussion
- C. A time of total peace and tranquility
- D. None of these.

ii. What will happen when there is no movement?

- A. We will have a discussion with our brothers
- B. It will give us a t time of enjoyment
- C. It will give us an opportunity of introspection
- D. All of these.

iii. Find out the poetic device used in the second line of the poem.

- A. Alliteration
- B. Simile
- C. Metaphor
- D. Repetition

iv. Why does the poet want us to go for introspection:

- A. To instill / learn good values
- B. To find our mistakes and correct them.
- C. To think about our families.
- D. None of these.

3. Answer any four out of the following questions in about 30 words:

- i. Why does the poet want the people not to speak in any language?
- ii. What is the sadness that the poet refers to in the poem?
- iii. How is the resent day world is contrast with the world desired by the poet?
- iv. What is our single mindedness? How does it affect us?
- v. How does the poet suggest that there is life under apparent stillness?

4. Answer any five of the followings:

i. Why does the poet want us not to speak in any language?

- A. It will remove all the differences of language among people.
- B. It will make us one human being and one human race.
- C. 'A' but not 'B'
- D. Both 'A' and 'B'

ii. What kind of relation the poet/ Pablo Neruda want with nature?

- A. A relation based on sharing and caring
- B. A relation based on co-existence

- C. A relation based on self-interest and greed
- D. Both, 'A' and 'B'

iii. What lesson does the earth teaches us?

- A. A new beginning
- B. End of life
- C. Stillness
- D. All of these

iv. What does the hurt hands refer to or imply?

- A. Struggle for survival
- B. Struggle for success
- C. Struggle to become rich
- D. None of these

v. What change will effectuate when the fishermen do not harm the whales?

- A. It will divide man from nature
- B. It will bring man and god close
- C. It will stop human cruelty on mute animals.
- D. None of these

vi. What, according to poet, creates barriers among humans.

- A. Greed
- B. Honesty
- C. Language
- D. Both, 'A' and 'C'