

Class 10 Reading

Read this text and answer the questions at the end.

The Star



A white star born in the evening glow
Looked to the round green world below,
And saw a pool in a wooded place
That held like a jewel her mirrored face.
She said to the pool: "Oh, wondrous deep,
I love you, I give you my light to keep.
Oh, more profound than the moving sea
That never has shown myself to me!
Oh, fathomless as the sky is far,
Hold forever your tremulous star!"
But out of the woods as night grew cool
A brown pig came to the little pool;
It grunted and splashed and waded in
And the deepest place but reached its chin.
The water gurgled with tender glee
And the mud churned up in it turbidly.
The star grew pale and hid her face
In a bit of floating cloud like lace.

By Sara Teasdale (1883-1933)

Questions

When answering the questions, remember to underline key words and read around them. Read the sentences the words are in and the sentences before and after if you need to. Think carefully about what the questions are asking you to do. Where there is a choice of answers, check all possible answers before making a decision.

Monday

Read the poem and underline any words which you do not understand. Find out the meanings of those words. If you find any too difficult, you can email me.

Tuesday

Re-read the poem now you understand the words and think about the main idea.

Wednesday

1. What time of day is it in the poem?
2. Find and copy two things that the star saw when she looked down.
3. What did the star give to the pool to keep?
 - a) the moving sea
 - b) a jewel
 - c) her light
4. Look at line 4. Why is the star's face described as 'mirrored'?

Thursday

5. Find and copy the line which shows us that the pig disturbs the peaceful setting.
6. *The star grew pale and hid her face*
In this line, the word 'pale' is closest in meaning to.... (choose one)
 - a) Twinkling
 - b) Colourless
 - c) Sparkly
 - d) Bright
7. How did the actions of the pig affect the star? (Choose one)
 - a) The moving water didn't reflect the star any more
 - b) The star didn't like the pig so it hid itself
8. Where did the star see the pool?

Friday

Choose a book to read and enjoy on Epic! (details below). I would like you to write a few sentences about to tell me about it.



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