

## **An evening wet with rain**

### **Summary**

The poem "An Evening Wet With Rain" by Ved Pal Deep, translated from Dogri by Shiv Nath, captures the poet's deep melancholy as he reflects on a rainy evening. Walking through the quiet, damp surroundings, he feels a profound sense of loneliness and yearns for the company of his beloved. The evening symbolizes the poet's old age, a time when the joys of life have faded, leaving him unable to find solace in the beauty of nature. The refreshing rain, the cool breeze, and the dance of the Banyan leaves, which once brought him joy, now fail to uplift his spirits.

As he gazes at the silent world around him, he is overcome with nostalgia for his youth, when the sound of cymbals in the courtyard filled him with delight. Yet, this memory only deepens his sorrow, as he realizes that the pleasures of the past no longer hold the same charm. Now, in the twilight of his life, the poet is filled with a deep sense of resignation, feeling that his life has lost its meaning. He longs for rest, accepting his fate and the inevitability of death, as he surrenders himself to the approaching night.

**Q1.** What are the memories that the poet talks about in the poem?

Ans:- The poet talks about the memories of his childhood when he would stand alone in his courtyard and listen to the sound of cymbals brought to him by the waves of air.

**Q2.** What kind of atmosphere is created in the poem?

Ans:- The atmosphere created in the poem is that of sadness, hopelessness and depression. It is a rainy evening. Everything is wet with rain. There is darkness

and silence all around. The poet feels that his life's evening is equally dark with troubles and misfortunes.

**Q3.** What makes the poet tired?

Ans. The continuous sleepless nights have made his eyes heavy. He feels feverish, and can't find any place to rest. Loss of hope tires the poet. It is just hoped that will keep one going in one's life. There's no wish to live if there is no hope. Of course, a depressed person feels drained and tired.

**Q4.** What has darkened the evening of poet's life?

Ans:- Loss of hope has darkened the evening of poet's life.

**Q5.** Discuss the poet's regret in the poem.

Ans:- The poet feels nostalgic and reminiscent of his good old days. He remembers the days when his life was filled with joy and happiness. Conversely, the poet's present life is full of sorrow and despair. The poet often feels bad that he can not call back the past and the days that are gone.

**Q6.** Comment on the imagery used by the poet in the poem.

Ans:- Imagery refers to the use of words, especially in poetry, to describe ideas or situations. Imagery is of different kinds such as auditory, visual, tactile, olfactory, gustatory and kinesthetic. The poet uses visual imagery in the poem. He creates a clear picture of an evening wet with rain. Wet windows, door and awnings, the wet collar of the coat, water seeping through the poet's shoes, fluttering of Banyan leaves with cold breezes etc. are all the imageries used by the poet in the poem which leaves a lasting expression on our minds. All these are examples of the use of rich images in the poem.