Upside-Down

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Reading the Poem for critical evaluation

- 01. How far does the rhyme scheme contribute to create the absurdity of the central character?
- 02. In day-to-day life, we come across situations, where relevant answers are not given to questions asked. Such responses evoke humor. Find a similar situation from the poem.
- 03. Why doesn't he attempt to correct himself?
- 04. What, do you think, is the theme of this poem?
- 05. "The poem Upside Down is a poem that presents humor, about a person who misunderstood everything and behaved in a silly manner which amused everybody and evoked laughter". Explain.
- 06. What effect is given through the
 - Rhyme scheme used
 - Repetition
- 07. Discuss the suitability of the title to the poem.
- 08. Find a suitable theme and generate a discussion on it.

- 09. Does the writer try to convince the reader that the character in the poem behaves in this manner because he has a certain deficiency in his mind or does he intend to take the readers in to another dimension of thinking?

 Provide a detailed answer.
- 10. "Controversial behavior of a person creates humor" discuss.