



Department of Education, Sabaragamuwa - Weekly School

Week - 21

Subject:- English Literature

Grade :- 11

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The Earthen Goblet. (Harindranath Chattopadhyaya)

1. Why does the pot say that its “unshapely natural state was the best”?
2. Which line of the poem says about closeness to nature?
3. How does this poem relate to the way people deal with nature, changing it the way they want?
4. “In this poem, the poet indirectly focuses on the way people deal with nature changing it the way they want without giving a thought about retaining its original form and beauty”. Discuss
5. “This poem also gives the implication as to how a person from a rural area, much attached to rural life is made to undergo change in modern society, with no choice”. Do you agree with this statement? Elucidate your answer.
6. “A person was brought to the city and was made to adapt to modern life, despite his disinterest”. Is also depicted in the poem. Elaborate your idea.
7. How do you apply the idea “A humble person with, down-to-earth life style close to nature, with his girl in the village is forced to adapt to the city life has given him sorrow of departure and misery to his life” to the poem?
8. What is the attitude of the goblet towards the change it underwent on the potter’s wheel?