

CLASS X ENGLISH ASSIGNMENT

UNIT-2 POEM 3

TIGER IN THE ZOO

Read the following extracts and answer the question/complete the sentences that follow:

Question 1.

He stalks in his vivid stripes
The few steps of his cage
On pads of velvet quiet,
In his quiet rage.

- (a) What are the two qualities of the animal under reference ?
- (b) Why does he move only a few steps ?
- (c) Pick out the word from the stanza that means the same as 'clear'.
- (d) Who has written the above lines ?

Question 2.

He should be lurking in shadow,
Sliding through long grass
Near the water hole
Where plump deer pass

- (a) The tiger is moving through
- (b) The tiger lies in wait near the water hole
- (c) The word plump shows that deer is referred to as
- (d) Name the poet.

Question 3.

He hears the last voice at night
The patrolling cars And
stares with his brilliant eyes
At the brilliant stars.

- (a) 'He' in the above stanza is
- (b) The last voice that he hears is that of
- (c) The tiger stares at stars because he is
- (d) Which word means the same as 'sparkling' ?

Short Answer Type Questions 30 – 40 words

Question 1. Describe some of the activities of the tiger as stated by the poet.

Question 2. Why does the tiger express his anger quietly ?

Question 3. What does the poet want to convey through the poem ?

Long Answer Type Question

Question 1. Do you agree that wild animals should be caged ? comment yes or no giving reasons.