



Subject: Grade 9 English: Home Language

Topic: Poetry 2

Total: 33 Marks

1. true 2 marks

Explanation:

Line 6: 'jerking hands'; 'knees tight on my arms'

This line shows that the bullies inflicted forceful and physical harm.

2. A: apology 4 marks

Explanation:

The speaker was hoping for a *smile* as some sign of an **apology**. He longed to forgive them, but the bullies never gave him the opportunity to do so.

3. B: sunshine 4 marks

Explanation:

The word 'fiery' is linked to 'dust' and 'heat'.

This links the word to connotations of sunshine.

4. true 2 marks

Explanation:

The **personification** of the rain clattering (falling loudly) on the roof is giving the rain the human characteristic of walking/ running.

5. rain water streams | water coming out from a tap 4 marks

Explanation:

Water is gushing out as **rain water streams** coming out **from a tap**.

It is as if someone has opened a tap and water is now pouring down (rain).

6. metaphor | onomatopoeia 4 marks

Explanation:

This line is an example of **onomatopoeia** as the sound of *roaring* describes the water.

It is also a **metaphor** as the water is compared to something that roars (a lion, for example).

7. repetition | repetition.

3 marks

Explanation:

Repetition is a stylistic device that is always used for emphasis.

8. C: all women in SA

4 marks

Explanation:

The poet is referring to all women in South Africa. He is not actually writing about pageant or competition winners, but any woman of strength.

9. brave | assonance

4 marks

Explanation:

Assonance: vowel sounds which are repeated.

pale and brave = the 'a' sound is repeated.

10. false

2 marks

Explanation:

Some alternate lines rhyme. The poem consists of *enjambment* or **run on lines**.

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