

Answer the questions. (Mark 1)

- i. What type of poem is " On killing a Tree"?
- ii. What is meant by "anchoring earth"?
- iii. What does a tree feed on ?
- iv. What is meant by " leprous hide "?
- V. What results after a tree is hacked and chopped?
- Vi. Where from do the curled green twigs rise?
- Vii. What are " miniature boughs"?
- Viii. How is a tree represented in the poem" On Killing a Tree"?
- Ix .Why isn't it so easy to kill a tree ?
- X. What tasks are to follow accordingly to ensure the complete killing of a tree ?
- Xi. What is ironic about leprous hide?

See the answers.

- i. "On killing a Tree" is an ironical poem.
- ii. The expression “anchoring earth” means that the root of the tree has sunk too deep that it holds the tree on the earth like an anchor.
- iii. A tree feeds on the earth's crust.

iv. The expression "leprous hide" means the rough surface of the tree trunk as similar as the hide of a leper .

V. After a tree is hacked or chopped, a sap oozes out of the tree trunk.

Vi. The curled green twigs rise from close to the ground.

Vii. The miniature boughs are the new and small forms of branches of a tree .

Viii. In the poem "On Killing a Tree" the tree is represented as a symbol of resistance and tireless struggle.

Ix. It is not easy to kill a tree as it grows for years bearing various sorts of perils .

X. To ensure complete killing of a tree the tasks to be followed accordingly are scorching, choking, browning, hardening, twisting

. Xi. The expression "leprous hide" has an irony that a tree is committed to survive anyway though it is uncared for .

Answer the following questions.

Xii . What do you mean by "earth cave"?

Xiii. What happens if the miniature boughs are left unchecked?

Xiv. What are the things a tree takes to grow?

Xv. Where in lies the strength of a tree?

Xvi. How is the strength of a tree ?

See the answers.

Xii. The expression " earth cave" means the gaping hole created when the root of the tree is completely taken out of the depth of the earth.

Xiii. The miniature boughs will come into their former size if they are left unchecked.

Xiv. A tree takes air, water and sunlight to grow.

Xv. The strength of a tree lies in its root.

Xvi. The strength of a tree, its root is white, wet and most sensitive.