B.

1. The theme of the poem is exploitation and child labour, as we see little children being pushed into an extremely risky profession by adults.

2.One example of alliteration is, ‘ his head that curled like a lamb's back’ and 'leaping, laughing they run'

3.The language and structure of the poem is simple as it is being narrated by a child.

1. There are several instances in the poem where the poet has used irony. One of the instances is when the poem ends with ‘so if all do their duty, they need not fear harm’. The children were told that their duty is to clean chimneys, and if they perform their duties well, they will be safe. However, the only task a child of their age should have is to play.
2. The poem gives us the perspective of a child who is innocent and almost uncritical of his life. However, if we read closely, phrases such as 'coffins of black' and 'rise upon clouds' are indicative of death and thus, suggest that the tone of the poem is rather sad and dark.

C.

1. I feel sad when I see children toiling to earn money instead of spending their time playing and studying. I also feel grateful that I didn't have to struggle or be deprived of my basic needs and rights, like the children forced into child labour.
2. If I were to meet a child who is forced to earn their living, I would try to help them by providing food and shelter. I would also try to teach them about their rights and ensure that they receive education.

Vocabulary Junction

(a) Polish - Samaira went to the jeweller to get her necklace polished.

(b)Wound - The moment she was inside the car, she wound the window down.

(c)Row - The sailors had to row the boat when the wind dropped.

(d)Record - We recorded our voices in a cassette and placed it in the time capsule.

(e) No answer.

2.

(a) Second - Trisha stood second in the competition.

It took him three seconds to realise that he was being pranked.

(b)Learned - A learned scholar would not have made this error.

Her aggressive reactions are a sign of learned behaviour.

(c)Advocate - She strongly advocates for equal rights for transgenders.

Her grandfather was the first person from her family to become an advocate.

(d)Lead - Since Neha has been here before, she can lead the way to the cottage.

My sister, who is a police officer, is leading the inquiry.

(e)Tear - As the book is a 1943 edition, the papers tear very easily.

She kept a brave face and did not let tears roll down her eyes.