

Chapter- 3

The Ball Poem

WORKSHEET

1. Read the given extract and answer the questions that follow. (1X4=4)

What is the boy now, who has lost his ball,
What, is he to do? I saw it go
Merrily bouncing, down the street, and then
Merrily over- there it is in the water!
No use to say 'o there are other balls'

- (a) What has happened to the boy?
(b) Why does the poet say 'No use to say- O there are other balls'?
(c) Where did the ball go?
(d) Which word in the stanza means 'happily'?

2. Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words each. (2X3=6)

- (a) How does the boy feel at the loss of his ball?
(b) How is the meaning of the ball different for both the little boy and the poet?
(c) He is learning 'the epistemology of loss'. Explain the statement.

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