

Question/Answers :-

1Q- What are the five things, according to the camel, that no one cares about them?

ans- According to the camel; no one cares about where it nests, eats, lives,

how much load he it carries or it's shape.

2a- Which are the things that human beings can help the camel with? What is the thing that cannot be changed?

ans- Human beings can help get the camel better food, more comfortable places to live & rest. They can also help to reduce the load that the camel carries. They Theirs look, shape, size & features of the camel can't be changed.

3a- How do human beings look after the living arrangements of other animals?

ans- Human beings let cats rest on chairs, chickens roost upon rails & kittens stay in warm houses. They build stable for puppies, enclosures for lambs, coops for hens and pens for sheep.

4q- Which animal does the camel compare itself to?

ans- The camel compares itself to canary, birds, parrots, poodles, chickens, puppies, oysters, lambs, hens, kittens, pigs, giraffes, oxen, rabbits, foxes, snakes, weasels, alligators & lizard.

5q- How are the last lines of every stanza? What is the meaning of the word 'does' in this context?

ans- The last line of every stanza are similar as they all begin with 'But'... and say how no one cares very much about the camel. The last line of each stanza is written the style of 'anything/anywhere/anyplace/any load/any shape does for me. In all these lines, the camel is saying that no one cares about how it lives, rests or looks. The word 'does' means work here.

B. Think & Answer :-

19- How does the camel sound unhappy, jealous, ~~grat~~ grateful or something else? Could it be proud? Give examples to support your answers.

ansr The camel may sound unhappy & jealous when it compares itself with other animals & describes how they have better places to live, better things to eat, and even better shapes than the camel. It even calls itself a 'poor camel' because it is not cared for in the same way as other animals. The poem is also titled the 'plaint' of the camel. However, the camel ~~co~~ could also be proud that it can adjust so well to different conditions. No matter what places, food, or load, the camel can take care of itself.

20- What ~~is~~ does this poem say about how helpful the camel is to human beings?

ans- The poem mentions that the camel is sometimes ridden by entire families. This tells us how the camel is useful to the human beings. Also, people don't bother much about what the camel as it eats or where it stays. This tells us that the camel live & work without any special arrangements. People use camels without having to work too much about it's food or shelter.

Appreciating the Poem

1) Which two lines in each stanza have rhyming words within them? What are those rhyming words?

ans- The first & third lines of each stanza have rhyming words within them. These are feed/seed, paddles/noodles, aware/chair, able/stable, enclosed/exposed, treated/cheated, laugh/giraffe, habit/rabbit, round/ground, ~~also~~ alligator/straighter.

27) What makes this poem funny? Would it be equally funny if it was narrated by a person rather than a camel? Why or why not?

ans- The fact that the poem is narrated by a camel makes it funny. The camel compares itself to other animals in a funny way. The poem would not be so funny if it were narrated by a person as because even if a person talked about the camel's complains, they wouldn't be able to ~~take~~ talk about it exactly as the camel can. Only the camel can talk about its & its problems & yet sound funny.

Using Words

Read this line.

A snake is as round as a hole in the ground...

This is an example of a **simile**—a comparison of one thing with another to point to a particular quality, using words such as 'like' or 'as'. Here, the camel is pointing out how a coiled snake looks circular, like a hole.

Complete these similes with names of animals from the poem.

1. as gentle as a lamb
2. as playful as a kitten
3. as tall as a giraffe
4. as strong as an ox
5. as timid as a rabbit
6. as sly as a fox

Writing

Some years ago, a Rajasthani villager had saved the life of a camel by taking care of its infected foot. Recently, the camel saved the villager's life by taking him to the hospital in time when there was no ambulance. Write a short news report about the incident.

Going Further

Work in pairs. Imagine you have met the speaker of this poem. What would you like to ask the camel?