

Chapter ⇒ 4

The Song of the Whale

Think and Answer

Que 1: Why is the poem titled the Song of the whale?

The poem is titled the song of the whale because in this poem the writer shows the sad song of the whale.

Que 2: Who is the speaker addressing in the poem? Why does he do that?

Kit Wright is the poet addressing in the poem. He does that because wanted to show how the human beings are killing whales for their needs.

Que 3: What feeling does the speaker wish to convey in the poem? Sadness? Anger? Disgust? Support your answer with lines in the poem.

The speaker wishes to convey all the feelings in the poem, that is sadness, anger and disgust.

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Speaker shows his sadness, in the line
"Great whale crying for your life, crying
for your kind, I knew how we would use
use our dying".

Speaker shows his anger in the line;
"We would make you dumb!"

Speaker shows his disgust in line;

" Instead of life we choose,
Lipstick for our painted faces,
Polish of our shoes "

Que 4) Does the speaker think there is a hope yet
for the whales? How do we know?

Yes, the speaker thinks there is a hope yet for
the whales. We know it from the lines "
Singing your kind, we'll never let you be".