

CLASS VIII ENGLISH

POEM 2 GEOGRAPHY LESSON – WORKSHEET

Answer the following questions:

1. What is the poem Geographic Lesson all about?
2. What lesson of Geography did the poet learn when he flew above his city?
3. What did the poet apprehend from a height of ten thousand feet?
4. What geographic lessons did the poet in the jet learn when the jet reached ten thousand feet?
5. Read the extract given below and answer the following questions:

that the men on the earth found
causes to hate each other, to build
walls across cities and to kill.

From that height, it was not clear why.

- i. What did the poet understand from that height?
 - ii. What did he not understand?
 - iii. What does the phrase building walls mean?
6. Read the extract given below and answer the following questions.

When the jet reached ten thousand feet,
it was clear why the country
had cities where the rivers ran
and why the valleys were populated.

The logic of geography --

that land and water attracted man –
was clearly delineated

when the jet reached ten thousand feet.

- i. How much height did the jet attain?
- ii. What became clear as the jet attained that height?
- iii. What became obvious on seeing the city from that height?
- iv. Name the poet of the poem from which these lines have been extracted.