## The Ball Poem

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## READ THE EXTRACT AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW (MCQ PRACTICE)

(A). What is the boy now , who has lost his ball, What , what is he to do ?  I saw it go Merrily bouncing, down the street , and then Merrily over – there it is in the water !			
		(a) The boy has lost –	
		(i) the ball which he was playing wi	th (ii) the glass of water
(iii) his school bag	(iv) all of the above		
(b) It fell down			
(i) into the water	(ii) into the well		
(iii) into the drainage	(iv) none of the above		
(c) At the loss of his ball the boy felt –			
(i) happy and gay	(ii) adventurous		
(iii) grieved and helpless	(iv) none of these		
(B) An ultimate shaking grief fixes the boy			
As he stands rigid, trembling, staring down.			
All his young days in to the harbour where			
His ball bent I would not intrude on him,			
A dime another ball, is worthless.			
Now He senses first responsibility			
In a words of possessions.			
(a) The boy is in grief because his ball has been			
(i) destroyed by the pet	(ii) taken freely		
(iii) lost	(iv) given to the other boy		
(b) The boy feels trouble and stands rigid because he is thinking about his			
(i) old days	(ii) young days		

all because he wants to teach him the	
As he stands rigid, trembling, staring down	
All his young days into the harbor where His ball went.	
e other balls" ?	
(ii) no need to purchase the other ball	
(iii) The boy should try to find ball	
himself.	
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(ii) lost his ball	
(iv) all of the above	
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ne has lost his ball and bag	

(iv) days spent with friends

(iii) school days

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