Welland Gouldsmith School

Class: 6

Subject: English ii

Chapter: The Ant and the Cricket

The Ant and the Cricket

.The poem "The Ant and the Cricket" is a fable (a story, consisting of animals as characters, that conveys a moral) written in a poetic format. It is about a silly young cricket and a miser ant. The cricket used to sing all day long and enjoy his good times during the summer season.

He lacked farsightedness, for he never had plans for his future. When the winter arrived, the cricket couldn't find a small amount of food to eat. So the cricket thinks of going to the ant to borrow food and to get shelter.

The Cricket knocked on the ant's door asking for help. Then the ant questioned the cricket what he was doing during summer. The poem ends with the ant asking the cricket to try dancing and singing again during his hard times.

Moral: We should work harder for our own sake and for the time of troubles. Moreover, always remember that today's saving is tomorrow's income.

Complete the sentence

- 1.A silly young cricket
- 2.Began to complain
- 3.Not a crumb
- 4.Not a leaf
- 5. Away he set off
- 6.Him shelter
- 7.My heart was
- 8. For all nature

Rearrange the letters to form words

1.emiafn
2eival
3naigr
4.wororb
5.rwosor
6.ndel
7.yag
Write the meanings of the following words
1.Crumb
2.Lend
3.Gay
4.Hastily
5.Accustomed to
Answer the following questions
1.What is a fable?
2. Why did the ant call the cricket silly?
3."Oh! what will become" says the cricket, "of me

Why does he say these lines?

- 4. Whom did he ask for help?
- 5. The ant told the cricket to dance the winter away.

Why did he say this?

(Note: in addition to the worksheet given please do Question 1 exercise A and question 2 on page number 20.)