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2nd Term

CLASS – IV

WORKSHEET – 16

DATE: 29.09.2020

SUBJECT – ENGLISH TEXT

POEM – SONG FOR A BEETLE IN A GOLDFISH BOWL

Answer the following questions:-

1. Explain the first seven lines of the poem “Song for a Beetle in a Goldfish Bowl”.

A beetle fell into the goldfish bowl,
Hey ho!
The beetle began to struggle and roll,
Ho - hum!
The window was open, the moon shine bright,
The crickets were singing with all their might,
But a blundering beetle had muddled his flight

2. Explain the following lines of the poem “Song for a Beetle in a Goldfish Bowl”.

And here was now, in a watery plight,
Having given the goldfish a terrible fright,
Ho hum, hey – ho!
The beetle swam left, the beetle swam right,
Hum – ho!
Along came myself – I said, ‘Lord, what a sight!
That poor old beetle will drown tonight.

3. How did the poet rescue the beetle? Why was the goldfish pleased?
4. Write the summary of the poem, “Song for a Beetle in a Goldfish Bowl”.