



## Year 7 Poetry 7: The Whispers of the Wind

Read the following poem and answer the questions below:

### The Whispers of the Wind

In the stillness of the night,  
The wind whispers soft and light,  
Through the trees it gently weaves,  
Brushing past the silent leaves.

It tells the tales of distant lands,  
Of golden dunes and shifting sands,  
Of mountains tall, and rivers wide,  
Of oceans deep, where secrets hide.

The stars above, they seem to hear,  
The wind's soft voice, so calm, so clear,  
They twinkle bright, in full accord,  
As if to answer every word.

The moon, a guardian in the sky,  
Watches the world with a watchful eye,  
And as the wind begins to slow,  
The night reveals a gentle glow.

So listen close, when winds do speak,  
For in their words, wisdom you seek,  
They carry thoughts from far and near,  
With tales to tell, and songs to hear.



## Multiple Choice Questions

1. What is the main subject of the poem?

- A) The ocean
- B) The wind
- C) The stars
- D) The moon

2. Which word best describes the wind in the poem?

- A) Loud
- B) Harsh
- C) Gentle
- D) Angry

3. What does the wind "whisper" through in the second stanza?

- A) The desert
- B) The mountains
- C) The ocean
- D) The trees

4. What does the phrase "golden dunes and shifting sands" suggest?

- A) The forest
- B) The beach
- C) The desert
- D) The river



5. How does the moon act in the poem?

- A) As a guardian
- B) As a singer
- C) As a guide
- D) As a warrior

6. What does the phrase "brushing past the silent leaves" illustrate?

- A) Personification
- B) Simile
- C) Metaphor
- D) Alliteration

7. What kind of tone does the poem have?

- A) Frightening
- B) Reflective
- C) Angry
- D) Chaotic

8. What is the role of the stars in the poem?

- A) To shine brightly
- B) To listen to the wind
- C) To guide travelers
- D) To warm the earth



9. What does "a gentle glow" refer to?

- A) The stars
- B) The moon
- C) The sunrise
- D) The wind

10. The phrase "the night reveals a gentle glow" is an example of:

- A) Metaphor
- B) Hyperbole
- C) Imagery
- D) Iron



## Short Answer Questions

1. What imagery is used to describe the wind in the poem?

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2. How does the poet use personification in the poem?

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3. What is the effect of the wind "whispering" in the poem?

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4. Identify an example of alliteration in the poem.

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5. How does the poet create a sense of calm in the poem?

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6. Explain the significance of the moon in the poem.

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7. What do the "golden dunes and shifting sands" symbolize?

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8. How do the stars interact with the wind in the poem?

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9. What does the phrase "the night reveals a gentle glow" suggest about the night?

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10. How does the poem's structure contribute to its overall mood?

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## Answer Key

### Multiple Choice Questions:

1. B) The wind
2. C) Gentle
3. D) The trees
4. C) The desert
5. A) As a guardian
6. A) Personification
7. B) Reflective
8. B) To listen to the wind
9. C) The sunrise
10. C) Imagery

### Short Answer Questions:

1. The wind is described using imagery like "whispers soft and light," and "brushing past the silent leaves," creating a delicate and serene image.
2. The poet personifies the wind by giving it the ability to "whisper" and "tell tales," which are human characteristics.
3. The effect of the wind "whispering" is to create a calming, mysterious atmosphere.
4. An example of alliteration is "brushing past the silent leaves."
5. The poet creates a sense of calm through gentle descriptions, soft sounds, and peaceful imagery.
6. The moon is significant as a guardian that watches over the night, adding a sense of protection and calmness.
7. The "golden dunes and shifting sands" symbolize distant, possibly exotic or unexplored lands, contributing to the poem's sense of mystery.
8. The stars interact with the wind by "twinkling bright, in full accord," as if responding to the wind's whispers, emphasizing their connection.
9. The phrase suggests the gradual transition from night to dawn, highlighting the beauty and tranquility of the night.
10. The poem's structure, with its steady rhythm and flowing lines, contributes to a peaceful, reflective mood.





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