BCM SCHOOL, BASANT AVENUE, DUGRI ROAD, LUDHIANA CLASS IX

ANSWER KEY OF OCTOBER ASSIGNMENT (2024)

1 Extract:

- .(A) shock
- (B) Lucy is dead, so she neither hears nor sees.
- (C) The poet is coming to realise the gravity of the loss caused by the death of his lover. His tone is that of acceptance and realisation. He understands now that she is no longer a living being who can see or hear. He imagines her rolling around with mor the Earth buried under the ground with rocks and other matter.
- (D) (d) Tending to the garden has become part of Tom's diurnal course.

2. Short Questions:

- a) As given in the story, a corpse is being cremated on the banks of Bagmati river. Washerwomen are at their work and children bathe in the river. From a balcony, a basket of flowers and leaves is dropped into the river. In this way the river is being polluted.
- b) The poet has compared the Leprous hide with the bark of the tree which has been discoloured with the passage of time. The poet says that the bark of the tree looks like a person who has leprosy and the skin of the body has been discoloured because of the disease.

3. Descriptive Question:

Santosh had the courage to stand up against established traditions. Santosh certainly had the courage to go against the traditions. She wanted to live life on her own terms. She preferred shorts to the traditional attire. It was the tradition in her village to get girls married off at the age of sixteen. When her parents tried to get her married, she said if she was not allowed to carry on with her education, she would never get married. She left her home and got herself enrolled in a school in Delhi. Her determination and hard work helped her to pave her own path to success.