

SELF - RELIANCE (POEM)

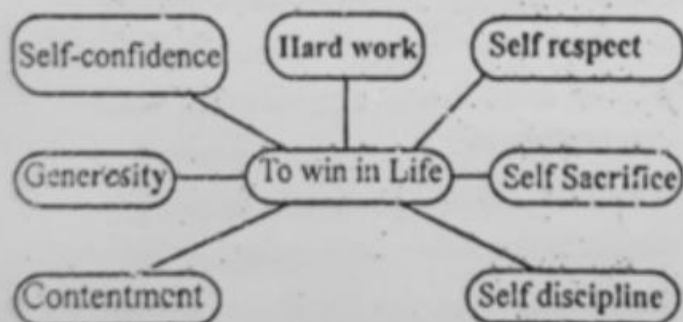
Summary

This poem tells you how self-reliance helps a person win in life. The poetess realised that she was alone and she must depend on herself. She should stand on her own legs and if she failed she should try again and again or ask others' opinions.

She also tells that she is the ruler of her world and she is the ultimate decision maker. She would take the path or the road to move on with pride. Some people might disagree with her choices and they would think they knew a better path to suggest. People might raise their voices but it is up to her to make her destiny. She wanted to be true to herself and learn how to stand alone and how to win in life.

A. Pre-Reading Activity

Many factors help a person to attain success. Complete the chart of bubble with the factors which help you to make your life meaningful.



C. New words

- rely : trust or have faith
dominion : territory with one ruler
determine : decide
path : route, course of action
abuse (n) : unkind, cruel words
destiny : fate.

D. Comprehension

i. Answer the following questions in a sentence or two each:

1. Who is the speaker in the poem?

Ans. The poet is the speaker in the poem.

2. Who is alone in the poem?

Ans. The poet is alone in the poem.

3. What does the speaker decide to do if she fails?

Ans. If the speaker fails, she will continue to try again and again. She will ask others for their opinions also.

4. Who is the ruler of speaker's kingdom?

Ans. The speaker herself is the ruler of her kingdom.

5. How can the speaker convert her choice into a victory?

Ans. The speaker can convert her choice into a victory by (1) being true to herself, by learning how to stand alone and how to win her every choice.