

Lesson - 9



WHERE DO ALL THE TEACHERS GO?



For a little child a teacher is special. It is difficult for a small child to think of his/her teacher as an ordinary person.

Where do all the teachers go

When it's four o' clock?

Do they live in houses

And do they wash their socks?

Do they wear pyjamas

And do they watch TV?

And do they pick their noses

The same as you and me?

Do they live with other people

Have they mums and dads?

And were they ever children

And were they ever bad?

Did they ever, never spell right

Did they ever make mistakes?

Were they punished in the corner

If they pinched the chocolate flakes?

Did they ever lose their hymn books

Did they ever leave their greens?

Did they scribble on the desk tops

Did they wear old dirty jeans?

I'll follow one back home today

I'll find out what they do
Then I'll put it in a poem
That they can read to you.

Peter Dixon

New Words

Word	Meaning
pinched	-चुराना
flake	- पपड़ी
hymn	- धार्मिक गीत
scribble	-जल्दी कुछ न देखना

Comprehension Questions

1. Answer the following questions -

- Why does the poet want to know where the teachers go at four o'clock?
- What are the things normal people do that the poet talks about?
- What does he imagine about

(i) where teachers live?

(ii) what they do at home?

(iii) the people with whom they live?

(iv) their activities when they were children in school?

- Why does the poet wonder if teachers also do things that other people do?
- How does the poet plan to find out? What will he do once he finds out?

Word Power

1. What do you think these phrases from the poem mean?

(i) punished in the corner

(ii) leave their greens

2. Your teacher will speak the words given below. Write against each two new words that rhyme with it.

1. bed _____

2. wax _____

3. fast _____

4. chop _____

5. young _____

Activity

Paste the picture of your favourite teacher and write a paragraph on him/her in your notebook.

A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops- **Henry Adams**