



INDIAN SCHOOL NIZWA - WORKSHEET

ENGLISH

Topic: A SLUMBER DID MY SPIRIT SEAL

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I	<p>Read the following stanza carefully and choose the correct option.</p> <p><i>A slumber did my spirit seal</i> <i>I had no human fears.</i> <i>She seemed a thing that could not feel</i> <i>The touch of earthly years</i></p>
i.	<p>A slumber did my spirit seal means that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) metaphorical deep sleep had closed off the poet's mindb) he was feeling a deep calm as if in a deep sleepc) he had no fear of death nowd) he had woken up now to a bitter reality
ii.	<p>The realization of truth about death makes the poet feel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) troubledb) at peace with himselfc) agonizedd) hopeless
iii.	<p>Who is 'She'?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) the poet does not discloseb) the poet's daughterc) the poet's belovedd) a mystery girl named Lucy
iv.	<p>That she could no longer 'feel the touch of earthly years' means</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) the girl was full of life and vigour when aliveb) she would now be untouched by earthly fearsc) she was unresponsive and motionless nowd) both (i) and (ii)
v.	<p>The figure of speech in line 1 is</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) personificationb) ironyc) metaphord) imagery



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II.	SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS
1.	"She seemed a thing that could not feel the touch of earthly years." Who is 'she'? Why could she not feel the touch of earthly years?
2.	"No motion has she now, no force." Who is 'she'? Why is 'she' motionless? What does it show about the poet's state of mind?
3.	'Rolled round in earth's diurnal course.' Explain.
III.	LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS:
	How did Lucy's death affect the poet? What does it reveal about his attitude towards her?