

Answers for Wednesday's Poem

These are the answers for the questions. Some questions may have more than one possible answer. I have given a few examples of what these could be.

1 What similes does the poet use to describe the river in verses 1, 2 and 3?

like the wind and birds

like a glittering seam of stars.

like a rope of silver silk.

2 Where is the river going?

Towards the sea.

3 What time of day is it in verse two? How do you know?

Night time. The poem says the dark earth rests beneath.

4 What life might the jungle be singing with in verse 4?

Birds

5 Can you find examples of where the poet has used alliteration in the poem?

River runs

Rocky ridge

Slow sky

Silver silk

6 Why does the poet say the grass has to "drink hard," in verse 3?

The soil is frozen over so the grass has to penetrate the hard soil.

The grass is not getting enough water from the soil.

7 What season might it be in verse 3? How do you know?

Winter because the soil is frozen over.

8 Can a river really “run?” What do we call this?

Here is a clue p _ _ s o n _ f i c a _ _ _ _ _ n

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