

CBSE Class 09 English Language and Literature

Revision Notes

Beehive Chapter-3

Rain on the Roof

This poem tells us about the poet's sweet memories of his childhood.

The poet says that though the humidity in atmosphere is high and there is a feeling of thoughtful sadness, the gentle rain compensates it with the spirit of peace for the lonely night. The poet realizes how much joy and pleasure of sleep he can attain when his head presses against the soft pillow and he concludes the long day into a goodnight's rest. He can have a sound sleep like a small child in his cottage while listening to the gentle droplets of rain falling on his rooftop.

Every raindrop that falls on the rooftop like a tinkle brings an echo in the poet's heart and he gets a thousand fancies in his thoughts. Those beautiful memories weave a thread of fanciful thoughts while he could still listen to the patter of the raindrops falling on his roof.

While going through his memories, he remembers his mother. She used to admire her children when they were asleep. When the poet was in his early years, his mother would look at him and observe his innocence. All this moves in the poet's thoughts while he still listens to the refraining melody of the raindrops.

Some memories are sweet and some bring sadness but the sound of raindrops is a bliss for the poet.