

CBSE Class – 07 English
NCERT Solutions
Honeycomb Chapter – 2
The Rebel - Poem

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Working with the Poem

Question 1. Answer the following questions.

- (i) If someone doesn't wear a uniform to school, what do you think the teacher will say?**
- (ii) When everyone wants a clear sky, what does the rebel want most?**
- (iii) If the rebel has a dog for a pet, what is everyone else likely to have?**
- (iv) Why is it good to have rebels?**
- (v) Why is it not good to be a rebel oneself?**
- (vi) Would you like to be a rebel? If yes, why? If not, why not?**

Solution:

- (i)** The teacher will scold the student and ask him/her the reason for not wearing the uniform and then takes action accordingly.
- (ii)** When everyone wants a clear sky, the rebel wants it to rain.
- (iii)** When everyone is likely to have a cat for a pet, only then will the rebel have a dog for a pet.
- (iv)** It is good to have rebels because very few people have the strength to stand against the majority. They think differently and stand fearlessly for their choices which can be beneficial.
- (v)** It is not good for oneself to be a rebel because you have to stand alone all the time. It makes you unpopular among the people and you will have no friends.
- (vi)** No, I would not like to be a rebel because i don't have the guts to oppose the majority and moreover i don't want to hurt the feelings of the people close to me. I don't want to be a source of bitterness among the people.

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Question 2. Find in the poem an antonym (a word opposite in meaning) for each of the following words.

- (i) long (ii) grow (iii) quietness (iv) sober (v) lost**

Solution:

- (i)** Short
- (ii)** Cut
- (iii)** Disturbance
- (iv)** Fantastic
- (v)** Find

Question 3. Find in the poem lines that match the following. Read both one after the other.

- (i) The rebel refuses to cut his hair.**
- (ii) He says cats are better.**
- (iii) He recommends dogs.**
- (iv) He is unhappy because there is no sun.**
- (v) He is noisy on purpose.**

Solution:

- (i)** The rebel lets his hair grow long.
- (ii)** The rebel expresses a preference for cats.
- (iii)** The rebel puts in a good word for dogs.
- (iv)** The rebel regrets the absence of sun.
- (v)** The rebel creates a disturbance.