

Seasons



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Answer each of the following questions with well-written detailed sentences.

1. Which of the five senses is not mentioned in either poem? Why do you think this is?

2. Explain the structure of the poem 'Seasons'.

3. Explain the structure of the poem 'Have You Ever?'.

4. Explain the words 'birds soar'.

5. Why might the poet have chosen the word 'flare' when describing the autumn poppies?

6. Following the structure of the poem 'Have you ever' write your own six line poem on a separate piece of paper.

Notes for teachers

When answering the first question pupils should have noticed that taste is not mentioned as there is nothing edible referred to in the poems. When explaining 'birds soar' pupils should show an understanding of the difference between soaring and flying. In explaining 'crunching footprints' pupils should explain that the crunching refers to the sound of feet stepping in snow. The poet chose the word flare to reflect both the brightness and the short period of flowering – both these points should be in an ideal answer.