

Young Poets
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I. Read the following lines and answer the questions that follow: -

1. Stand up young poets for clean air and river
Free verse or lyric, your message delivers.

- a) The phrasal verb 'stand up for' means _____.
- b) What should the young poets stand up for?
- c) What do you mean by 'free verse' and 'lyric'?
- d) Explain the 2nd line.

Ans: In the 2nd line "Free verse or lyric, your message delivers", the poet is meaning to encourage the young poets. He inspires the young poets to write poems in their own style, which could be a free verse or a lyric. He says that whichever style they choose to write, their message of saving nature will be delivered.

2. Make peace and be proud, choose well every choice
Speak hope and speak loud you are nature's voice.

- a) To whom is the speaker speaking ?
- b) Why does the speaker mean while saying 'Make peace and be proud' ?
- b) Explain the second line.

III Answer the following questions in 30-40 words:

- 1. How can the Young Poets defend the earth?
- 2. Why do they have to choose words carefully?

IV Figures of Speech:

- 1. Repetition
 - Speak hope and speak loud
 - Speak with great courage, speak up and speak out
- 2. Alliteration
 - **with** a **w**hisper
 - **possess** **p**ower
 - **write** the **w**ronts
 - **w**orld **w**aits
- 3. Personification
 - Nature's voice
 - Her tongue
- 4. Metaphor
 - you are Nature's voice
 - your pen is her tongue

VI. As a citizen what would you like to do for your countryDo you think it is good to involve youngsters. Justify.
