

**Class - 6**  
**Subject - English Course Book**  
**Book - New Exploring English**  
**Chapter - 3 DEAR MR. EXAMINER (POEM)**

Answer these questions.

1. What were the things that the student did before he started writing the poem?

Ans. The student read through the questions most carefully before he started writing the poem.

2. What were Mandy and Angela Smythe doing during the exam?

Ans. During the exam Mandy has written ten pages and Angela Smythe is copying the answers off her cuff.

3. What were the adults doing at that time?

Ans. Mothers were going to deliver or collect something, grandmothers were sipping tea. Unemployed men were doing crosswords or watching TV.

4. What are some of the sounds the student hears while sitting in the class?

Ans. The students hear the sound of the Cathedral clock which has just pealed and a mower chugs upon the hockey field.

5. The poet said that Miss Quinlan's face was 'an absolute mask'.

Explain the meaning of the line. Why do you think her face was a mask?

Ans. i. The meaning of the line is that when Miss Quinlan read the poet's writing, there was no expression on her face.

ii. I think her face was a mask because she understood the matter before hand that the poet did not prepare well.

6. What favour does the student ask from the examiner?

Ans. The student asks the examiner to award him some marks for writing his name and date.

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7. Neither the boy nor Angela Smythe knew the answer to the questions. While she copied the answers, he wrote a letter. Who, according to you, did the better thing? If you were in a similar situation as the boy, what would you have done?

Ans. i. According to me, we should not copy the answer what Angela Smythe was doing in the exam. So, the poet did the better thing.

ii. If I were in a similar situation as the boy, surely I will write of my own memory or I will prepare for the next.