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Worksheet 3

Class - IX

Subject - English

Topic - The Brook

Q1.RTC-

I. "I come from haunts of coot and hern, I make a sudden sally,
And sparkle out among the fern,
To bicker down a valley.
By thirty hills I hurry down,
Or slip between the ridges,
By twenty thorps, a little town,
And half a hundred bridges."

- 1. Where does the brook originate, according to the first line?
- 2. What does the phrase "sparkle out among the fern" suggest?
- 3. What does the word "bicker" suggest about the brook's movement?
- 4. By how many hills does the brook pass, according to the fifth line?

II. "I wind about, and in and out, with here a blossom sailing, And here and there a lusty trout, And here and there a grayling, And here and there a foamy flake Upon me, as I travel With many a silver water-break Above the golden gravel, And draw them all along, and flow To join the brimming river, For men may come and men may go, But I go on forever."

- 1. What image is created by the phrase "here a blossom sailing"?
 - a) A storm brewing on the river
 - b) A flock of birds flying overhead
 - c) A flower petal floating on the water
 - d) A fish jumping out of the water
- 2. What type of fish are mentioned in the poem?

- a) Salmon and cod
- b) Lusty trout and grayling
- c) Piranhas and eels
- d) Goldfish and koi
- 3. What does the phrase "foamy flake" describe?
- a) A cloud passing in the sky
- b) Bubbles forming on the water
- c) A leaf floating on the surface
- d) A bird flying over the water
- 4. What image is created by the phrase "golden gravel"?
- a) The setting sun reflecting on the water
- b) Small pebbles on the bottom of the brook
- c) Sand dunes along the riverbank
- d) A treasure chest buried in the river

Q2. Q- ANS

- 1. What is the overall impression created by the final stanza?
- 2. What are some of the sounds the brook makes as it flows?
- 3. What are your overall thoughts and feelings on the poem?
- 4. How does the poem relate to the natural world?