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| <b>Class: VI</b>       | <b>Department: ENGLISH</b>                  | <b>Date of Submission:<br/>OCTOBER 2022</b> |
| <b>WORKSHEET NO:13</b> | <b>Topic: Adrift! A Little Boat Adrift!</b> | <b>Note: To be done in the notebook</b>     |

### **A. Mark the following statements as true or false.**

1. The poem is only about a little boat. [False](#)
2. Life is like a voyage that is filled with difficulty. [True](#)
3. Man sails smoothly through life and dies easily. [False](#)
4. The poet wants God to guide the human soul to heaven. [True](#)

### **Create - Work with Words**

#### **A. Choose the words associated with sea travels:**

[mariners, tide, run aground, navigate](#)

#### **B. Match the words in Column A with their meanings in Column B.**

1. deck: [upper open level of a ship](#)
2. crew: [a group of sailors](#)
3. mast: [a tall pole carrying the main sail](#)
4. prow: [the pointed front part of a ship](#)
5. cabin: [room](#)
6. ahoy: [call used to draw attention](#)
7. harbor: [natural shelter for ships on the coast](#)
8. dock: [a place for loading, unloading, and repair of ships](#)
9. port: [town or city with a harbor](#)
10. course: [path of travel](#)

### **ADDITIONAL PRACTICE:**

**Ex.1: Answer the following questions.**

1. What did the sailors say?

Ans. The sailors said that at dusk a little boat gave up its struggle against the storm and was drowned.



2. What did the angels say?

Ans. The angels said that at dawn the little boat which was exhausted due to the storm adjusted its mast and rose up again to great pride or joy.

3. What is the message from the poem?

Ans. Life is like a voyage that is filled with difficulties. Man faces many challenges throughout his life; but once you strive to do something, it must be done. God is there to guide the human soul to heaven.

4. What is an allegory?

Ans. An allegory is a story or poem with two meanings, one on the surface, and another hidden inside which is represented by the words.

5. Is this poem an allegory? Give reasons.

Ans. Yes, this poem is an allegory. On the surface, it is a story of a little boat, but on the other hand, it throws light on the theme of death and compares a drifting boat to life.

**Ex.2: Reference to context:**

1. **Adrift! A little boat adrift!  
Adrift! A little boat adrift!  
And night is coming down!  
Will no one guide a little boat  
Unto the nearest town?**

- a. Where is the boat going?  
The boat is moving aimlessly ahead.

b. What time of the day it is?

It is dusk as the poet says the night is coming down.

c. What does the poet want?

The poet wants the little boat to be given some directions as to where the nearest town is for the boat to go.

2. **So Sailors say, on yesterday,  
Just as the dusk was brown,  
One little boat gave up its strife,  
And gurgled down and down.**

a. What time of the day it was?

The time was dusk when the color of sunset spread its brown, saddening haze upon the land and sea.

b. What had happened then?

The little boat gave up its struggle against the storm and was drowned.

**Ex.3: CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION:**

1. Who is the author of the poem Adrift! a little boat

- a. Ruskin Bond
- b. Kenneth Grahame
- c. Emily Elizabeth Dickinson
- d. William Shakespeare

2. What is the poem about? A boat, a sailor, both boat and sailor or none of these?

- a. Boat
- b. Sailor
- c. Both Boat and sailor
- d. None of the above

3. What is the hidden meaning of dusk?

- a. Evening birth
- b. Evening death
- c. Morning Death

d. Morning Birth

4. This poem teaches us to give up.
  - a. True
  - b. False
5. Did the boat give up?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
6. Life is like a voyage that is filled with difficulties.
  - a. True
  - b. False

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