

CBSE Class – 7 English
NCERT solution
Honeycomb Chapter – 6
Mystery of the Talking Fan - Poem

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Working with the Poem

Question 1. Fans don't talk, but it is possible to imagine that they do. What is it then, that sounds like the fan's chatter?

Solution:

The poet imagined that the sound coming from the fan was its chatter. Actually, there was a sound due to friction between the parts of its motor. They needed oiling.

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Question 2. Complete the following sentences.

(i) The chatter is electrical because

(ii) It is mysterious because

Solution:

(i) The chatter is electrical because it is the sound of the parts of motor that runs on electricity

(ii) It is mysterious because the sound produced by the fan seems to say something but the poet is unable to understand it.

Question 3. What do you think the talking fan was demanding?

Solution:

The talking fan was demanding oiling of its motorparts.

Question 4. How does an electric fan manage to throw so much air when it is switched on?

Solution:

When an electric fan is switched on, its motor starts whirling i.e. rotating which makes the metallic blades move, cutting the air and we can feel the moving air.

Question 5. Is there a 'talking fan' in your house? Create a dialogue between the fan and a mechanic.

Solution:

Yes, i have a metallic fan in my house.

Mechanic: How are you doing?

Fan: Not well, Suffering from the heat and friction. Can you do something? Mechanic: I will try to help you. Let me check you first.

Fan: Yes, sure. Please do your best and help me. Mechanic: I will. Please wait, let me finish my job. Fan: Go ahead.

(After repairing)

Mechanic: Now, are you okay?

Fan: Yes, now i am feeling well. It feels so good.

Mechanic: That is great. Remember me when you are in trouble. Fan: Yes, i will. Thanks for helping me. Greetings to you.

Mechanic: You are welcome. Bye. Take care. Fan: Bye. You too take care.