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Worksheet No:	Topic: When you are old- W.B Yeats (Poem)- Question Bank	Note: Notebook

A } Answer these Questions:

1. Who is the poet addressing his poem to? Describe the person.
2. How can we say that the person being addressed had many admirers? Did everyone love the person truly?
3. Explain the phrase, 'your changing face'.
4. Comment on the relevance of the title of the poem. Suggest an alternate
5. What is the rhyme scheme of the poem, *when you are old*?

B } Answer these questions with reference to the context.

1. *How many loved your moments of glad grace,
And your loved beauty with love false and true,
But one man loved the pilgrim soul in you.
And loved the sorrows of your changing face....*
 - a. How can we say that the person being addressed was once beautiful?
 - b. Who was the 'one man' the poet is talking about?
 - c. Explain the phrase, 'the pilgrim soul in you'.
2. *And bending down beside the glowing bars,
Murmur, a little sadly, how love fled
And paced upon the mountains overhead
And hid his face amid a crowd of stars.*
 - a. Why would the person being addressed 'murmur, a little sadly'?
 - b. Name the figure of speech used in the above lines. Quote the lines.
 - c. How can we say that the love was lost forever?

C } Think and Answer

1. Think of all the images that came to your mind while reading the poem, *When you are old*. Write a note on the imagery used in the poem.
2. What is the mood of the poem? What emotion did you have while reading the poem?

D } Write a critical appreciation of the poem, *When you are old*.

(This will include rhyme scheme, tone, theme, imagery)

E } Identify the objects or ideas that are being personified and explain the human traits or actions that are applied to these objects of ideas

1. The wind whispered through the dark and dismal bungalow.
2. The gardener lovingly watered his plants believing he was making his flowers happy.
3. As we walked through the scorching desert, the sun sucked in our energy.
4. Time crawled as Ranbir sat, in the gloomy detention room, painfully hearing the clock ticking.
5. When Mansi walked through the store, each pair of jeans called out to her.