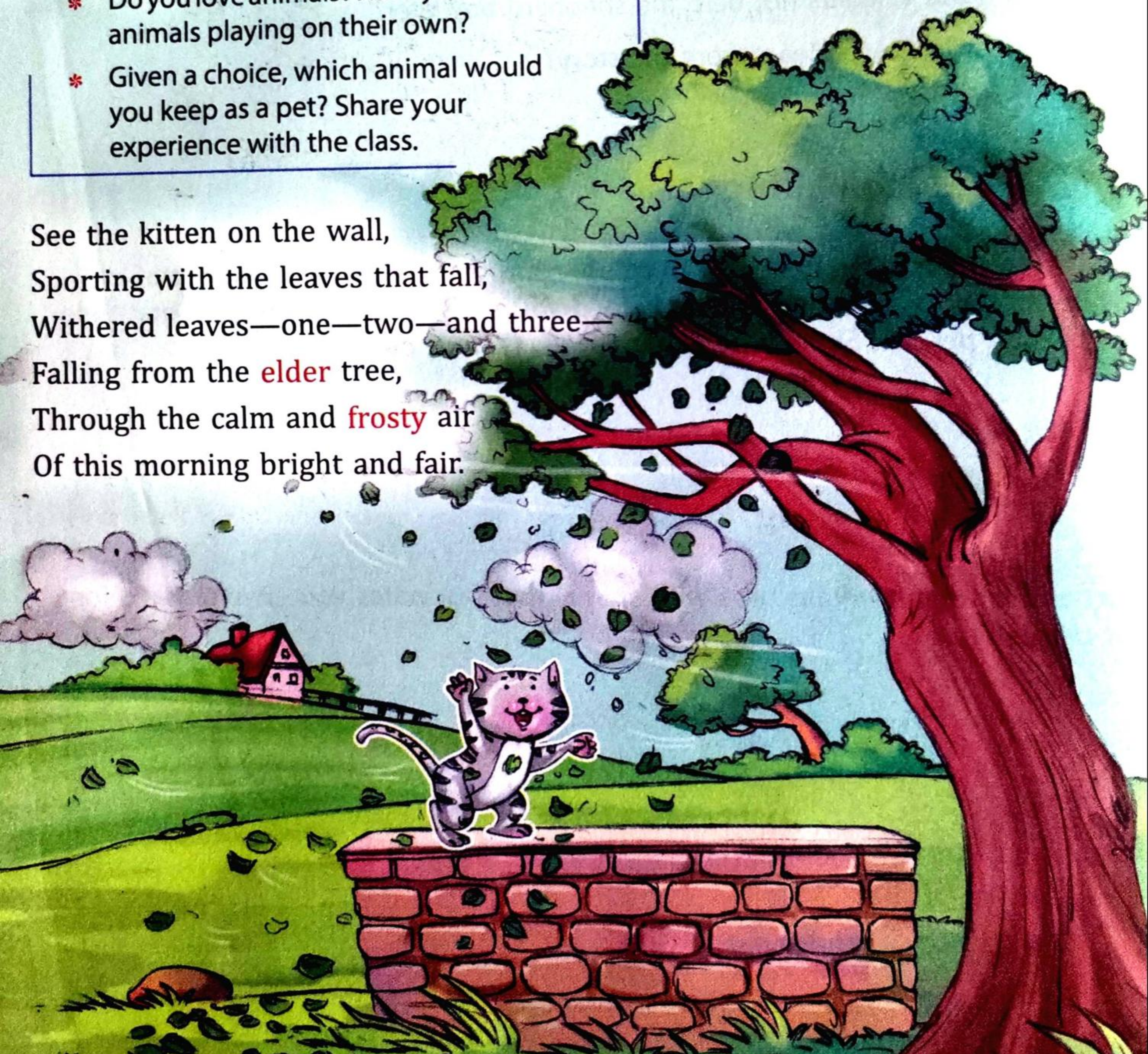


The Kitten at Play

Getting Started

- * Do you love animals? Have you observed animals playing on their own?
- * Given a choice, which animal would you keep as a pet? Share your experience with the class.

See the kitten on the wall,
Sporting with the leaves that fall,
Withered leaves—one—two—and three—
Falling from the **elder** tree,
Through the calm and **frosty** air
Of this morning bright and fair.



See the kitten, how she starts,
Crouches, stretches, paws, and darts!
First at one, and then its fellow,
Just as light and just as yellow.
With a tiger-leap half-way
Now she meets her coming prey,
Lets it go as fast, and then
Has it in her power again.

Now she works with three and four,
Like an Indian conjurer;
Quick as he in feats of art,
Far beyond in joy of heart.
Yet were gazing thousands there,
What would little Tabby care?

—William Wordsworth



About the Poet

William Wordsworth (1770–1850) is regarded as the greatest of the Romantic poets. He resided in the Lake District of England and his poetry is a reflection of his worship of Nature. Some of his famous poems are: The Solitary Reaper, We Are Seven, the Lucy Poems and Prelude.

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- William Wordsworth

4. From where were the leaves falling and in what manner?

→ The leaves were falling from the elder tree.

The withered leaves were falling from the tree ~~one~~ one by one in a bright and fair morning when calm and frosty air was blowing.

5. What is meant by 'what would little Pabsy care'?

→ Little Pabsy is the kitten who is playing boisterously with the falling leaves in an elegant manner. Her act of playing with the falling leaves is gazed by thousands there but she does not care anyone and continues to play with the falling leaves joyfully.

c- Answer this question with reference to the context.

1. Explain the lines 'Now she works with three and four, / Like an Indian ~~conjuror~~ ^{conjuror}'.

→ Explanation of the lines
'Now she works with three and four / Like an Indian ~~conjuror~~ ^{conjuror}' —

The kitten masters her skill of playing with the falling leaves and plays with three and four leaves at a time like an Indian magician who performs his art of handling three and four things quickly at a time.

Answers → Home Work.

- i) The kitten is on the wall.
- ii) The kitten is playing ~~hastorously~~ ^{hastorously} with the falling leaves.
- iii) It is a bright and fair morning. Calm and frosty air is blowing. The joyful play of the kitten with the falling leaves suggests the environment to be a cheerful one.

■ Next Day → English 2 Class → 6 July 2020.
Inside Questions and Answers will
be provided of Chapter 4 [The Kitten at Play]

STAY HOME, STAY SAFE