



ENGLISH

BOOKS - FULL MARKS ENGLISH (HINGLISH)

FIRE AND ICE

Stanzas For Comprehension Stanza 1

1. Some say the world will end in fire

Some say in ice

From what I've tasted of desire

I hold with those who favour fire.

How do people differ regarding the end of the world ?



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2. Some say the world will end in fire

Some say in ice

From what I've tasted of desire

I hold with those who favour fire.

Why does the poet favour those who favour
fire ?



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Stanzas For Comprehension Stanza 2

1. But if it had to perish twice,
I think I know enough of hate
To say that for destruction ice
Is also great.

And would suffice.

Explain : " If it had to perish twice . "



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2. But if it had to perish twice,

I think I know enough of hate

To say that for destruction ice

Is also great.

And would suffice.

How is ice itself sufficient to cause the
destruction of the world ?



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Ncert Textbook Questions Solved Thinking About The Poem

1. There are many ideas about how the world will 'end'. Do you think the world will end some day? Have you ever thought what would happen if the sun got so hot that it 'burst', or grew colder and colder?



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2. For Frost, what do 'fire' and 'ice stand for?

Here are some ideas:

greed—लालच	avarice—धन-लोलुप
cruelty—निर्दयता	lust—लालायित होना
conflict—विवाद	fury—क्रोध
intolerance—असहनशीलता	rigidity—कठोरता
insensitivity —संवेदनशून्यता	coldness—उदासीन
indifference—उदासीनता	hatred—धृणा



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3. What is the rhyme scheme of the poem?

How does it help in bringing out the contrasting ideas in the poem?



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Additional Questions Solved Short Answer Type Questions

1. Will this world come to an end? What does the poet say in this regard?



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2. What do people think about the end of the world? Who does the poet side with and why?



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3. Why does the poet say, 'I've tasted of desire/I hold with those who favour fire?'



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4. What will be the cause of the end of the world if it has to perish twice?



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5. How does the poet 'know enough of hate'?

Where will this 'hate' lead to?



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6. How will 'ice' be as 'great' and 'suffice for causing the end of this existing world? Do you agree with the poet?



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7. What is the message of the poem 'Fire and Ice'?



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8. From when I have tasted of desire
I hold with those who favour fire.

Why does the poet hold with those who favour fire?



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9. But if it has to perish twice I think I know enough of hate. What does 'it' refer to? How will it perish twice?



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10. To say that for destruction ice

Is also great

In the poem what does 'ice' stand for? How is it sufficient to bring destruction?



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Additional Questions Solved Long Answer Type Questions

1. There are many ideas about how this world will come to an end'. What are they? Do you agree with the poet and his understanding of the poet and his understanding of the issue in this regard?



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2. What do the metaphors of 'ice' and 'fire' convey to the readers? Don't they represent the two extremes of human behaviour that can lead to the destruction and death of this world? What is the message that the poet wants to give to the readers?



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