

# DON BOSCO SCHOOL, KOKAR, RANCHI

- English Literature (Class-10 ABC)
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## (Chapter 7)

### Prose-A little match girl

- Read the lesson and find out the meanings of the following words.

Hitherto

Scuffle

Dreadfully

Urchin

Farthing

Gleaming

Cowered

Venture

Numbered

Burnished

Porcelain

Reeled

Trail

Lustre

- **Short answer type Questions**

1. How is the setting in the story, the cold and darkness, symbolic of the girl's isolation and sadness?
2. Throw a light on the visions of the little girl in the story, "A Little Match Girl".
3. How was the weather? What day was it? Identify the author of the story?
4. Why didn't the little girl go home? What did she do instead?
5. Did the grandmother too vanish like the other visions, leaving her alone?

## (Chapter 8)

### The Blue Bead

- Read the lesson and find out the meanings of the following.

Whirlpool

Dislodge

Jostle

Rippled

Trilling

Mugger

Antediluvian

Formidable

Fend

Putrid

Tepid

Armoured hide

Gharials

Ford

#### Short answer type Questions

1. Describe 'poverty' as one of the themes of the story "The Blue Bead".
2. How does Sibia, a simple, young poor girl become the heroine of the story "The Blue Bead"?  
What reward does she get for her brave act?
3. Who were the Gujars? Describe the Gujar woman.

#### (Chapter -7)

## POETRY: I KNOW WHY THE CAGED BIRD SINGS

- Read the poem and answer the questions.
  1. Describe the actions of the bird that is free.
  2. How does the poet contrast the life of the captured bird to that of a free bird?
  3. What do “bars of rage” signify?
  4. What does the caged bird sing about?
  5. Where is the song of the caged bird being heard? What does it signify?



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