

CLASS IX POEM 9 THE SNAKE TRYING (NCERT)

THINKING ABOUT THE POEM (PAGE 125)

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I. QUESTION 1. What is the snake trying to escape from?

ANSWER: The snake is trying to escape from the pursuing stick. Human beings try their level best to kill the snake. They take it for granted that the snake is poisonous and harmful.



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NON VENOMOUS

GREEN IN COLOR

WATER SNAKE



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QUESTION 2. Is it a harmful snake? What is its color?

ANSWER: No, it is not harmful. It is a green snake.



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QUESTION 3. The poet finds the snake beautiful. Find the words he uses to convey its beauty.

ANSWER: The poet uses the following words: beautiful and graceful, glides, small and green.



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1ST STANZA

**THE SNAKE TRYING
TO ESCAPE THE PURSUING STICK,
WITH SUDDEN CURVINGS OF THIN
LONG BODY. HOW BEAUTIFUL
AND GRACEFUL ARE HIS SHAPES!**



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QUESTION 4. What does the poet wish for the snake?

ANSWER: The poet wishes that the snake should be allowed to go. It should not be killed by the man.



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QUESTION 5. Where was the snake before anyone saw it and chased it away? Where does the snake disappear?

ANSWER: The snake was away from its secure area. It was basking in the sun along the sand. Finally, it disappears in the reeds.

