

A2 Based on your reading of the poem complete the following paragraph

Abou Ben Adam was curious to know if his name was included in the list of people who loved God. The Vision replied that his name was not there on the list .Ben Adhem requested the Angel to write his name among those people who love their fellow man .When the latter visited him again it showed the names of the people whom God had blessed when Ben Adam found that his name was on the top of the list and it led all the rest.

A3. Write the message of the poem in two to three sentences

This poem conveys the message that we should love humanity and care for people. God does not want us to merely worship him. He wants us to love humankind, one of his creations.

C Appreciation

1. Which phrases in the poem best describe Ben Adhem's

a) room? b) state of mind/ attitude?

a) moonlight in his room

b) deep dream of peace, exceeding peace, cheerily still

2. Find a simile in the poem and explain its meaning. (A simile is a comparison .Example he rains swiftly *like the wind.*)

Ans. like a Lily in bloom- the poet has compared the angel's serene beautiful appearance to that of a full -bloomed Lily.

3. Find two examples of alliteration in the poem. (An alliteration is the repetition of a sound in a line. Example : In 'from dusk to dawn' the sound *d* has been repeated.)

Ans. 'Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace', ' like a lily in bloom'.