

DUST OF SNOW

Answer with reference to the context:

1. The way a crow
Shook down on me
The Dust of Snow
From a hemlock tree
 - a. Name the poem and the poet.
 - b. What does the poet shake on the poet?
 - c. What does the crow symbolize here?
 - d. What was the poet's state of mind at this time?
2. Has given my heart
A change of mood
And saved some part
Of a day I had rued.
 - a. What does the word rued mean?
 - b. How had he rued his day?
 - c. What change is brought in him?
 - d. Why does he say 'saved some part'?

Answer the following within 30-40 words:

3. What is the central idea of the poem?
4. What side of nature do the crow and hemlock tree represent?
5. Why does the poet use such poetically uncommon bird and tree? What does it reflect?
6. What mood of the poet is reflected in the poem?
7. What role does nature play in this poem?

Answer the following within 100-120 words:

8. Write a note on the setting of the poem.
9. Positive attitude in life can make the world a better place to live in. Do you agree or disagree with reference to the poem 'Dust of Snow'?
10. Our attitude towards a situation evokes both negative and positive response. Analyze this with reference to the poem, 'Dust of Snow' to bring out the inherent valuable lessons.