

## L-10 The cane bottom'd chair

Read the extract and answer the questions that follow:-

1) 'But of all the cheap treasures that garnish my nest,

That's one that I love and I cherish the best;

For the finest of couches that's padded with hair

I never would change thee, my cane bottom'd chair'.

- a) What does the poet cherish the most in his life?
- b) With what would the poet not want to exchange his most cherished thing?
- c) Identify all the poetic devices in the stanza and explain them.

2) 'In tattered old slippers that toast at the bars,

And a ragged old jacket perfumed with cigars,

Away from the world and its toils and its cares

I've a snug little kingdom up four pair of stairs'.

- a) Name the poet and the poem.
- b) What is the 'snug little kingdom' of the poet?
- c) Describe the appearance of the poet.
- d) Identify all the poetic devices in the stanza and explain them.

3) Why doesn't the poet mind climbing the stairs to reach his room?

4) How does the poet describe his beloved Fanny?

5) With what has the poet compared his cane bottom'd chair?

6) Who gives the poet company after all his friends have left?

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