

SAKARBAI KHIMJI RAMDAS MEMORIAL SCHOOL

STD – 5 & 6

COMPREHENSION

- Read the below poem carefully and answer the following questions.

Mother doesn't want a dog.
Mother says they smell,
And never sit when you say sit,
Or even when you yell,
And when you come home late at night
And there is ice and snow,
You have to go back out because
The dumb dog has to go.
Mother doesn't Want a dog.
Mother says they shed,
And always let the strangers in
And bark at friends instead,
And do disgraceful things on rugs,
And track mud on the floor,
And flop upon your bed at night
And snore their doggy snore.
Mother doesn't want a dog.
She's making a mistake.
Because, more than a dog, I think
She will not want this snake.

- Judith Viorst

• QUESTIONS

1. Why does mother not want a dog?
2. Why do you have to go back out at night?
3. What does the dog do at night?
4. Why is mother making a mistake?
5. According to mother, how does a dog treat strangers and friends?
6. Write True or False for the following sentences.
 - a) Mother never said that dogs shed.
 - b) Mother says that dogs smell.
 - c) Mother will want the snake.

• ANSWERS

1. Mother does not want a dog because they smell, never sit down when you say sit or even when you yell, you have to go out in the ice and snow as they have to go, shed, bark at friends, let strangers in, do disgraceful things on rugs, track mud on the floor, flop upon your bed at night and snore their doggy snore.
2. You have to go back out at night because the dumb dog has to.
3. At night the dog flops upon your bed.
4. Mother is making a mistake because more than a dog she will not want a snake.

5. According to mother, a dog always lets stranger in and barks at friends instead.

- 6. a,c – FALSE
b - TRUE