

Class 7 (English)
4. Game On
Sec. 3 The Echoing Green

1. Word meanings:-

1. sky lark – a small bird that sings while flying in the sky
2. thrush – a small bird with a brown back and spots on the chest
3. bush – an area with wild plants
4. does laugh away care – forgets about his worries and enjoys himself
5. weary – become tired

2. Tick all the things the poet is describing in the poem:-

1. a beautiful, sunny spring day ✓
2. people playing in the meadow
3. children playing games in the meadow ✓
4. older people watching children play ✓
5. older people thinking about their youth ✓
6. older people asking children to rest
7. children tired at the end of the day ✓

3. Answer the following questions:-

Q.1 *The merry bells ring*

a. Why were the merry bells ringing?

Ans. The merry bells were ringing to welcome spring.

b. Who tried to sing louder than the sound of the bells?

Ans. The skylark and the thrush tried to sing louder than the sound of the bells.

Q.2 *Old John with white hair*

a. What was old John doing?

Ans. Old John was enjoying himself without worrying about anything.

b. Where was he?

Ans He was sitting under the oak tree among the old folk.

Q.3 What is the Green? What echoes all around the Green?

Ans The Green refers to the splendour of spring that can be seen all around. The joyous sounds of birds singing, children playing and adults talking echo all around the Green.
