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Subject - English Literature

Chapter - K Poem 'Negotiation' (continued)

Students, today we will continue with the poem 'Negotiation'

★ Stanza - 6

Sounds from the kitchen - - - - -
- - - - - monotony is my way of life

Explanation - In the sixth stanza the wife says to the husband that whole day she has to be busy in doing kitchen chores. She listens sounds of utensils instead of listening music so kitchen sounds are like a wonderful music for her. She cooks delicious dishes in the kitchen and pleasant ~~am~~ aroma spreads all over the house. She does these tasks everyday and her life has become boring.

★ Stanza - 7

What's your day like - - - - -
- - - - - It's an open challenge.

Explanation - In this stanza the wife says to the husband that imagine your life if she will not be there for a day. She says him to prove his talent if she is not there for a single day how will he manage all the

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house chores as she was very much sure that he won't be able to manage her daily routine for a single day. So she challenged her husband to live like her for a single day.

★ Stanza - 8

I hear a storm - - - - -
- - - - - My life is not a joke for all.

Explanation - In this stanza the wife says to the husband that she could understand his plight when she asked him to get a day off. She could feel his heart beating very fast when she said to take a day off. Then she says you need not to reply me but you should also understand that my life is not a joke. You should respect my feelings and my hard work should be appreciated.

★ Stanza - 9

I stare a self lose - - - - -
- - - - - but love for all

Explanation - In this stanza the wife tells the husband that she looks herself in the mirror and she could see her appearance that has totally changed because of continuous hard work and boring routine. Then she says next

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I hope that you will never hurt my self esteem. She says if I am quiet it does not mean that I am weak. I don't create any fuss because I love all my family members. So don't dare to underestimate me.

* Stanza - 10

I need a partner - - - - -

- - - - - and ego trampled

Explanation - In the last stanza the wife says that she needs a good partner in her life but not a boss who hurts her feeling by saying harsh words everyday. In the end she says that if you respect me or love me in exchange you will also get the same and your ego will be crushed.

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