**POEM - AUNT JENNIFER’S TIGER**

**Read the following extracts and answer the questions that follow each:**

1. Aunt Jennifer’s tigers prance across a screen, Bright topaz denizens of a world of green. They do not fear the men beneath the tree; They pace in sleek chivalric certainty...

**Questions**

* 1. Where do the tigers appear? What are they doing?
  2. What is the attitude of the tigers towards men?
  3. How does the poet portray the outer and inner qualities of the tigers?

1. Aunt Jennifer’s fingers fluttering through her wool Find even the ivory needle hard to pull.

The massive weight of Uncle’s wedding band Sits heavily upon Aunt Jennifer’s hand.

#### Questions

* 1. Why are aunt Jennifer’s fingers fluttering?
  2. What is the result of the fluttering?
  3. Explain–‘The massive weight of Uncle’s Wedding band.’ 1
  4. What is Aunt Jennifer’s state of mind?

1. When Aunt is dead her terrified hands will lie Still ringed with ordeals she was mastered by The tigers in the panel that she made

Will go on prancing, proud and unafraid.

#### Questions

* 1. Why are aunt’s hands said to be terrified?
  2. Explain–‘still ringed with ordeals?
  3. How will Aunt’s death affect the tigers?

**Short Answer Type Questions**

**Answer the following questions in 30-40 words each.**

1. Where do the tigers appear? Write two qualities of the tigers as depicted by the poet.
2. Why is the ivory needle hard to pull?
3. What is the significance of wedding ring in Aunt Jennifer’s life?

4 “The tigers created by Aunt Jennifer are symbolic of her aspirations.” Explain