Std-4 English Literature Assignment

The River

(Continue your work after the word meanings)

2. Reference to context:

a. The River's a wanderer,

A nomad, a tramp.

She doesn't choose one place,

To set up her camp.

The River's a winder,

Through valley and hill.

She twists and she turns,

She just cannot be still.

i) Wanderer, nomad, tramp: what do these three words tell us about the river?

Ans: These three words tell us that the river keeps moving from place to place.

ii) What are the different places that the river flows past in the poem?

Ans: The river flows past the valley and the hill.

iii) In your own words give the meaning of 'to set up camp'.

Ans: 'To set up camp' means to settle down.

b. The River's a hoarder,

And she buries down deep

All those little treasures,

She wants to keep.

i) Why is the river called a' hoarder'?

Ans: The river is called a 'hoarder' because she collects and stores things deep down.

ii) Which word means 'puts deep inside'?

Ans: The word 'buries' means 'puts deep inside'.

iii) What do you think are the treasures that the river wants to keep?

Ans: The treasures that the river wants to keep are sand, pebbles and other living creatures.

3. Why does the poet call the river a singer?

Ans: The poet calls the river a singer because the countryside echoes the notes of her song.