

## The Ball

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Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow by choosing the most appropriate alternative from those given below:

(1)

He senses first responsibility  
In a world of possessions. People will take  
Balls, balls will be lost always, lit tie boy.  
And no one buys a ball back.

Question 1.

'He' here stands for

- (a) author
- (b) the boy
- (c) trainer
- (d) Water man

▼ [Answer](#)

(b) the boy

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Question 2.

'His first responsibility' here refers to

- (a) how to make up
- (b) how to face loss
- (c) how to draw water
- (d) how to panic

▼ [Answer](#)

(b) how to face loss

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Question 3.

Who composed these lines ?

- (a) John Berryman
- (b) Robert Frost
- (c) Carolyn Wells
- (d) Leslie Norris

▼ [Answer](#)

(a) John Berryman

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Question 4.

The word 'possessions' means

- (a) process
- (b) possess
- (c) health
- (d) wealth

▼ [Answer](#)

(d) wealth

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(2)

What is the boy now, who has lost his ball  
What, what is he do ro ? Isaw it go  
Merrily bouncing, down the Street, and then  
Merrily over – there iris in the water!

Question 1.

Who composed these lines ?

- (a) Robert Frost
- (b) Robin Klein
- (c) John Berry man
- (d) W.B. Yeats

▼ [Answer](#)

(c) John Berry man

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Question 2.

'I' here refers to

- (a) guard
- (b) player
- (c) boy
- (d) author

▼ [Answer](#)

(d) author

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Question 3.

The ball finally went into the

- (a) water
- (b) ditch
- (c) underground
- (d) well

▼ [Answer](#)

(a) water

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Question 4.

The word 'bouncing' means

- (a) running
- (b) leaping
- (c) walking
- (d) chasing

▼ [Answer](#)

(b) leaping

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(3)

He is learning, well behind his desperate eyes,  
The epistemology of loss, how lo stand up  
Knowing what every man must one day know  
And most know many days, how to stand up.



Question 1.

Who composed these lines ?

- (a) Leslie Norris
- (b) John Berryman
- (c) Robin Ktein
- (d) W.B. Yeats

▼ [Answer](#)

(b) John Berryman

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Question 2.

'He' here stands for

- (a) author
- (b) boy
- (c) water man
- (d) gardener

▼ [Answer](#)

(b) boy

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Question 3.

The boy is learning what it means

- (a) to gain something
- (b) to lose something
- (c) to get something
- (d) to have something

▼ [Answer](#)

(b) to lose something

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Question 4.

The word 'desperate' means

- (a) angry
- (b) revengeful
- (c) remorseful
- (d) hopeless

▼ [Answer](#)

(d) hopeless

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(4)

No use to say -'O there are other balls'

An ultimate shaking grief fixes he boy

As he stands rigid, trembling!

Question 1.

Who composed these lines ?

- (a) W.B. Yeats
- (b) John Berry man
- (c) Carolyn Well
- (d) Robin Klein



▼ [Answer](#)

(b) John Berry man

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Question 2.

After losing the ball, the boy is overpowered with

- (a) delight
- (b) worry
- (c) laughter
- (d) sadness

▼ [Answer](#)

(d) sadness

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Question 3.

To poet, the loss is not important enough.

- (a) to worry about
- (b) to plan for
- (c) to weep over
- (d) to laugh at

▼ [Answer](#)

(a) to worry about

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Question 4.

The word 'trembling' means

- (a) jumping with joy
- (b) walking with pleasure
- (c) shaking with anxiety
- (d) speaking with delight

▼ [Answer](#)

(c) shaking with anxiety

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