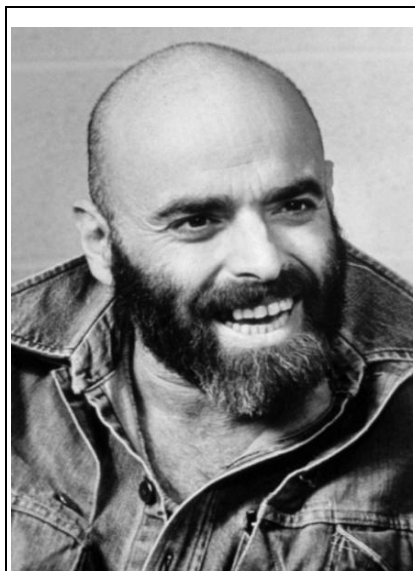


**Topic: Bear in There****Lecture-1****Date: 06.10.2020****Know about the Poet Shel Silverstein:**

Birth	Date: September 25, 1930
	Place: Chicago, United States
Occupation	Writer, poet, singer, cartoonist
Nationality	American
Known for	Writing cartoons, songs, and children's books.
Death	Date: May 10, 1999
	Place: Florida, United States

**Theme of the poem:**

“Bear in There” is a humorous (brilliant and enjoyable) poem by Shel Silverstein. Here we will see that a child is worried to find a bear in his frigidaire (refrigerator). The bear has taken over all the food and threatens every one with a fearful roar. But the speaker of the poem is actually a ‘father’ who compared his ‘son’ to a Polar Bear because his son does not eat healthy food and also does not know the

manner of eating on the table. Like the bear, his son also eats unhealthy food in a wrong way. He tries to teach his son some manners of eating by reciting this poem.

## Bear in There

BY SHEL SILVERSTEIN

There's a Polar Bear in our Frigidaire—  
He likes it 'cause it's cold in there.  
With his seat in the meat  
And his face in the fish  
And his big hairy paws  
In the buttery dish,  
He's nibbling the noodles,  
He's munching the rice,  
He's slurping the soda,  
He's licking the ice.  
And he lets out a roar  
If you open the door.  
And it gives me a scare  
To know he's in there—  
That Polary Bear  
In our Fridgitydaire.



### Summary:

Let's talk about the first 10 lines of the poem.

### Lines 1, 2:

*There's a Polar Bear in our Frigidaire—  
He likes it 'cause it's cold in there*

In these lines, polar bear means son, Frigidaire stands for his family and likes Frigidaire cold means comfort.

That means, the father is introducing his son. His son feels very comfortable with his bad habits like a polar bear feels comfortable in the polar.

**Lines 3, 4:**

*With his seat in the meat*

*And his face in the fish*

In these lines, we see that the polar bear makes the meat a seat without eating it. And instead of eating meat, it eats fish.

It means, the son does not sit on his place and he also eats what he is not supposed to eat.

**Lines 5, 6:**

*And his big hairy paws*

*In the buttery dish,*

In these lines, the bear touches the soft butter with its hairy paws which discourages others to take butter from the same dish.

Here, the father is talking about the wrong ways in which his son eats. He uses his hand to take butter to spread on the bread instead of a butter knife.

**Line 7, 8:**

*He's nibbling the noodles,*

*He's munching the rice,*

In the eighth and ninth lines, the bear nibbles (takes small bite) the noodles, and he munches (making chewy sound) to eat rice.

Just like the bear, the son bites noodles instead of using a fork or chopsticks to eat it. He also makes sound when he eats rice instead of eating silently.

**Lines 9, 10:**

*He's slurping the soda,*

*He's licking the ice.*

In these lines, we see that the polar bear makes slurps (means making noise in drinking) when it drinks soda (soft drink).

The son also makes sound when he drinks and licks the ice instead of mixing it to the water.

### **Exercises**

**Poem Writing:** Write the first 10 lines of the poem with the names of poem and poet.

## Lecture-2

Date: 11.10.2020

### Lines 11, 12, 13, 14:

*And he lets out a roar*

*If you open the door.*

In these lines, the bear roars seeing the boy when he opens the door.

*And it gives me a scare*

*To know he's in there—*

In these lines, the bear scares the boy. It tells him that he is in the refrigerator and not to disturb him.

Just like the bear, the son also does not like it when his father calls him. He keeps eating in a wrong way.

### Lines 15, 16:

*That Polary Bear*

*In our Fridgitydaire.*

In these lines, we see that after all these, the boy is happy to have the polar bear in his refrigerator.

Similarly, the father still loves his son and tries to teach him good manners.

## Exercises

### Word Meaning:

Write the meaning of the given words:

- a) Paws
- b) Nibble
- c) Slurp
- d) Soda

e) Munch

### **Make Sentence:**

Make sentence by using the words of the word meaning.

- a) Paws
- b) Nibble
- c) Slurp
- d) Soda
- e) Munch

### **A. Answer the following questions:**

- a) Where is the polar bear?
- b) Why does the polar bear like Frigidaire?
- c) What is the seat of the bear?
- d) Where is the polar bear's face?
- e) What is the bear slurping?
- f) When does the bear roar?

### **Reminder:**

- ✚ Revision will be held on **13.10.2020**
- ✚ Assessment (CHT) will be held on **18.10.2020**
- ✚ To practice exercises, you can learn answers from the attached Answer Sheet.
- ✚ Thank you and good luck. 😊