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 This poem is by Jillian Harker.

Water, Water, Everywhere

We wash in it
And splash in it,
But that's not all –
We pour it on our plants and crops
To make them strong and tall.

We boil it up
And cool it down,
To make ourselves a drink,
But there's much more to water
Than you would ever think.

Water rushes, runs and trickles
And it can even freeze.
It can seep and soak and creep
To almost anywhere you please.

And without it your poor body
Would be in an awful mess.
If there was no such thing as water,
You would all weigh two thirds less.



1 In the first verse, which of these uses of water does the poet talk about? Tick **two**.

to sail a boat ☐

to cook with ☐

to wash in ☐

to put out fires ☐

to splash in ☐

AF2
1 mark

2 Look at verse 1.

a) Where do we pour water?

AF2
1 mark

b) Why?

AF2
1 mark

3 Look at verse 2. What do we do to water to make a drink? Write **two** things.

1 _____

2 _____

AF2
1 mark

4 What is the pattern of rhyme in verse 2? Tick **one**.

Lines 2 and 4 rhyme. ☐

Lines 1 and 2 rhyme. ☐

Lines 3 and 5 rhyme. ☐

Lines 4 and 5 rhyme. ☐

AF4
1 mark

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- 5 Look at verse 3. **Find** and **write one word** which shows water can move:

a) quickly _____

b) slowly _____

AF3
1 mark

AF3
1 mark

- 6 What does verse 3 tell you about water? Tick **one**.

how people use water ☐

how plants need water ☐

what water can do ☐

what water sounds like ☐

AF6
1 mark

- 7 Look at verse 4. What does this verse say would happen to your body without water?

AF2
1 mark

- 8 Look at the last two lines of the poem.
What do they tell you? Tick the **best** answer.

Water does not weigh as much as the human body. ☐

Our bodies do not really need much water. ☐

People get into a mess when they use water. ☐

Water makes up a big part of our bodies. ☐

AF3
1 mark

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Look at verses 3 and 4.

a) Write one word from verse 3 that rhymes with *freeze*.

1 mark AF4

b) Write one word from verse 4 that rhymes with *less*.

1 mark AF4

These questions are about the whole poem.

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Did you enjoy reading the poem?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Why?

2 marks AF6

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Tick the sentence that **best** explains what the poem is about. Tick **one**.

Water is important for people but not for plants. ☐

Water is very important for lots of reasons. ☐

The main reason we use water is to drink. ☐

The water we use trickles away and freezes. ☐

1 mark AF6

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