THE REBEL

Working with the Poem

**Question 1.** Answer the following questions:

(i). If someone doesn’t wear a uniform to school, what do you think the teacher will say?

**Answer:** I think the teacher will scold the student if he/she does not wear a uniform to school.

(ii). When everyone wants a clear sky, what does the rebel want most?

**Answer:** When everyone wants a clear sky, the rebel wants the sun to show up.

(iii). If the rebel has a dog for a pet, what is everyone else likely to have?

**Answer:** If the rebel has a dog for a pet, everyone else is likely to have cats as pets.

(iv). Why is it good to have rebels?

**Answer:** It is good to have rebels because they make the society livelier, and they teach us to accept and respect the differences amongst the thought processes of people around us.

(v). Why is it not good to be a rebel oneself?

**Answer:** It is not good to be a rebel oneself because a rebel is always criticized by the society and people take time to accept rebels.

(vi). Would you like to be a rebel? If yes, why? If not, why not?

**Answer:** Yes, I would like to be a rebel because I want to change those norms of the society that do not serve humanity.

**Question 2:** Find in the poem an antonym (a word opposite in meaning) for each of the following words.

(i) long
(ii) grow
(iii) quietness
(iv) sober
(v) lost

**Answer:**
(i) long - short
(ii) grow - cut
(iii) quietness - disturbance
(iv) sober - fantastic
(v) lost - found

**Question 3:** Find in the poem lines that match the following. Read both one after the other.

(i) The rebel refuses to cut his hair.
(ii) He says cats are better.
(iii) He recommends dogs.
(iv) He is unhappy because there is no sun.
(v) He is noisy on purpose.

**Answer:**
(i) The rebel lets his hair grow long.
(ii) The rebel expresses a preference for cats.
(iii) The rebel puts in a good word for dogs.
(iv) The rebel regrets the absence of sun.
(v) The rebel creates a disturbance.