

# Delhi Public School, Jammu

## ASSIGNMENT I(2018-19)

Class: XI

Subject: English

### A.Comprehension

Q.I.

#### *STILL I RISE*

*You may write me down in history  
With your bitter, twisted lies,  
You may trod me in the very dirt  
But still, like dust, I'll rise.*

*Does my Sassiness upset you?  
Why are you beset within gloom?  
Cause I walk like I've got oil wells  
Pumping in my living room.*

*Just like moons and like suns,  
With the certainty of tides,  
Just like hopper springing high,  
Still I'll rise*

*Did you want to see me broken?  
Bowed head and lowered eye?  
Shoulders falling down like teardrops.  
Weakened by my soulful cries.*

*Does my haughtiness offend you?  
Don't you take it awful, hard  
'Cause I laugh like I've got gold mines  
Diggin' in my own backyard.*

*You may shoot me with your words,  
You may cut me with your eyes,  
You may kill me with your hatefulness,  
But still, like air, I'll rise.*

-----Maya Angelou

1. Theme of this poem is -
  - a) Bravery
  - b) Rebellion
  - c) Underlying spirit
  - d) Dare
2. 'Sassiness' means -
  - a) Confident
  - b) Joyful
  - c) Arrogance
  - d) Meek
3. 'Haughtiness' means -
  - a) Confident
  - b) Joyful
  - c) Arrogance
  - d) Meek
4. Who is portrayed through this poem?
  - a) A prisoner
  - b) A rebel
  - c) A revolutionary
  - d) A person from downtrodden class



1. The grandmother has been portrayed as a religious lady. Give instances.
2. What is the theme of the poem, 'A Photograph'?
3. Give a brief character sketch of Uncle Khosrove.
4. What is the symbolism of Laburnum in the poem, 'The Laburnum Top'?

**Q10. Do any one in 100-words each.**

Elaborate on the beautiful bond of love between the author and his grandmother.

OR

Describe the ride of Aram and Maurad when they went out together for the first time.