

The Garden Within

There is a garden
in my heart
where beauty grows
in fits and starts.

Where smiles are petals
from the flowers
bestowed by others
from their bowers.

Nutritious hope
reaps seeds to feed
my spirit
for its every need.

With gratitude
I'll reach my goal
To touch the island
of my soul.

- *Celia Berrell*



Glossary

- in fits and starts (phr): in a sudden and irregular manner
- petal (*n*) : a delicate coloured part of a flower
- bestowed (*v*) : gave
- bowers (*n*) : a pleasant place in the shade of tree
- nutritious (*adj*) : good
- reaps (*v*) : gives
- spirit (*n*) : inner feelings or mood
- gratitude (*n*) : thankfulness
- goal (*n*) : something that you hope to achieve



Project Work

A Garden of Qualities :

The poem ‘The Garden Within’ talks about our spirit and goals. Our qualities are an important part of who we are. All of us, girls and boys, men and women, have all human qualities. Some are better developed than others. Here is a list of few qualities. Circle the ones you think are more developed in you. Make a similar table in your book. Talk to 5 family members and 5 friends. Ask each one to tick their qualities. If you happen to come across more qualities, add them to the list.

encouraging	hard working	friendly	
generous	careful	punctual	
spiritual	sensitive	strong	
dedicated	committed	confident	
humorous	considerate	brave	
trustworthy	calm	compassionate	



Self Assessment

How well have I understood this unit?

Read and tick (✓) in the appropriate box.

Indicators	Yes	Somewhat	No
I read and understood the text :			
A. The Selfish Giant Part I			
B. The Selfish Giant Part II			
C. The Garden within			
I was able to do the exercises given under ‘Vocabulary’.			
I was able to understand the usage of ‘Gerund’ given under ‘Grammar’.			
I was able to prepare notices in different locations, under ‘Writing’.			
I was able to describe the garden given under ‘Oral Activity’.			
I was able to summarize the story given under ‘Study Skills’.			
I listened to and understood ‘Lal Bagh’ and answered the questions given under ‘Listening’.			
I was able to collect the story books and fill the table given under ‘Project Work’.			