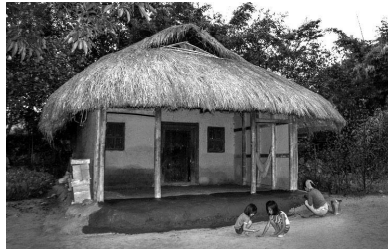


UNIT VI

11 SONG OF A LITTLE HOUSE



I'm glad our house is a little house,
Not too tall nor too wide,
I'm glad the hovering butterflies
Feel free to come inside.

Our little house is a friendly house,
It is not shy or vain;
It gossips with the talking trees,
And makes friends with the rain.

And quick leaves cast a shimmer of green
Against the whited walls,
And in the phlox, the courteous bees
Are paying duty calls.

Christopher Morley

1. *The teacher reads the poem aloud with appropriate action.*
2. *After learning by heart, the children recite it in the class room with proper rhythm and accent.*

New Words :

hovering	: flutter in the air in one place
vain	: proud
gossip	: chatter or talk
shimmer	: wavering light (shine)
phlox	: a bright-coloured, seasonal flower which appears in May

EXERCISES

Answer the following questions:

- (1) Do you think the poet likes his house? Which words tell you that he is happy about his little house?
- (2) What makes the poet feel that his little house is a friendly house?
- (3) Which line tells you about the colour of the little house?
- (4) Does this poem make you feel good and happy?
- (5) Write down the words which rhyme with: wall, house, wide.