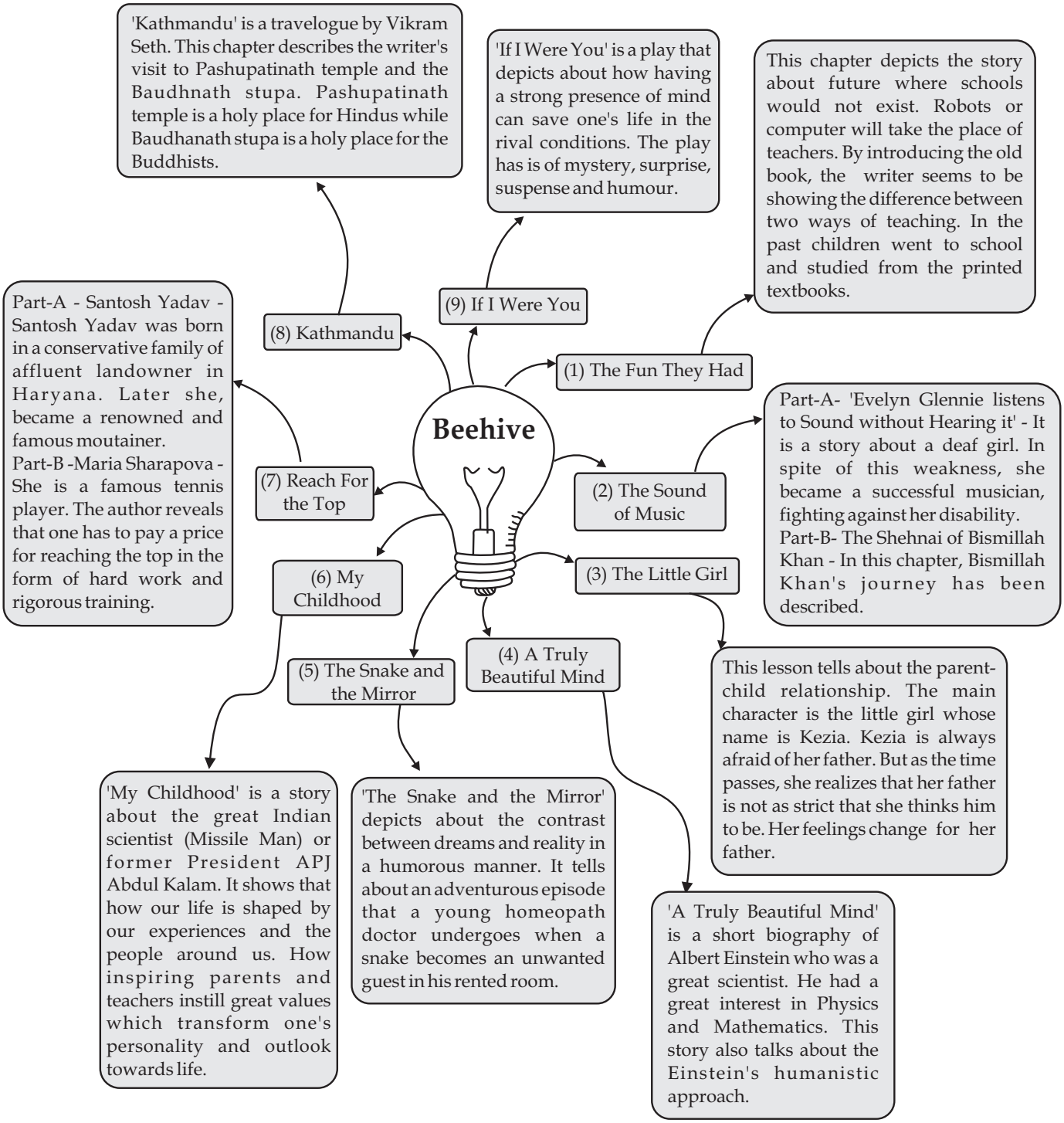
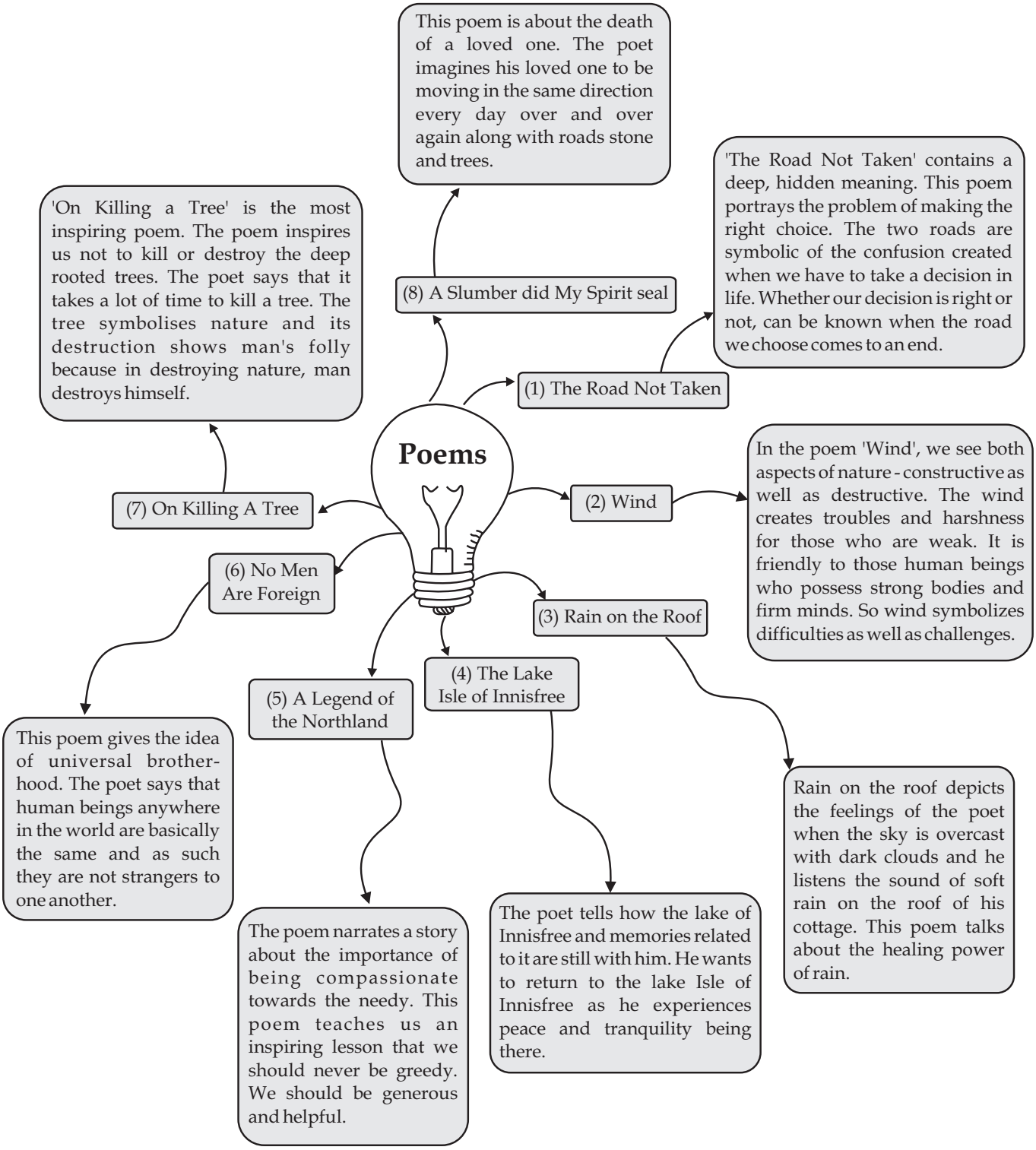
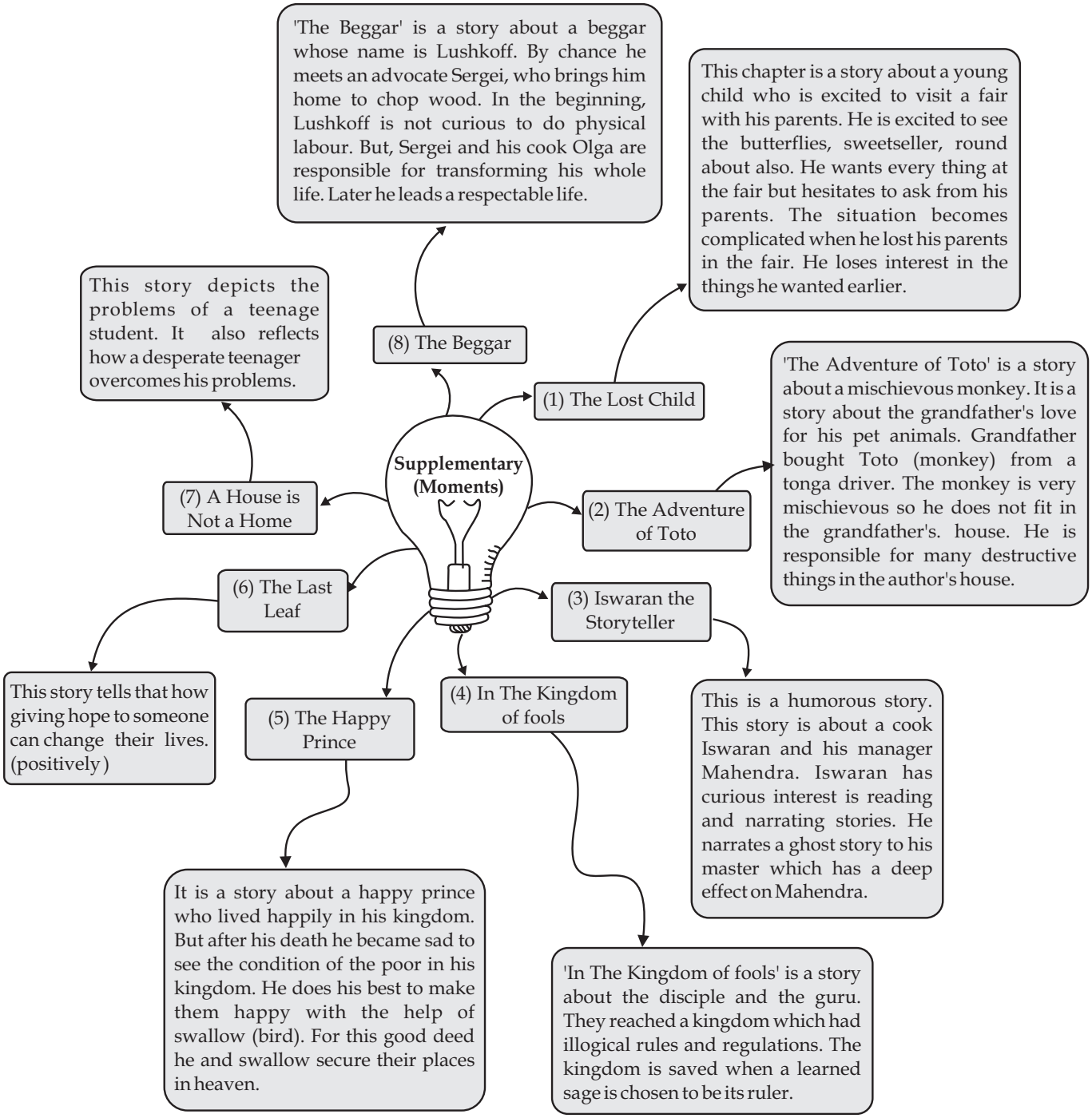

Beehive
(1) The Fun They Had
This chapter depicts the story about future where schools would not exist. Robots or computer will take the place of teachers. By introducing the old book, the writer seems to be showing the difference between two ways of teaching. In the past children went to school and studied from the printed textbooks.
(2) The Sound of Music
Part-A- 'Evelyn Glennie listens to Sound without Hearing it' - It is a story about a deaf girl. In spite of this weakness, she became a successful musician, fighting against her disability.
Part-B- The Shehnai of Bismillah Khan - In this chapter, Bismillah Khan's journey has been described.
(3) The Little Girl
This lesson tells about the parent-child relationship. The main character is the little girl whose name is Kezia. Kezia is always afraid of her father. But as the time passes, she realizes that her father is not as strict that she thinks him to be. Her feelings change for her father.
(4) A Truly Beautiful Mind
'A Truly Beautiful Mind' is a short biography of Albert Einstein who was a great scientist. He had a great interest in Physics and Mathematics. This story also talks about the Einstein's humanistic approach.
(5) The Snake and the Mirror
'The Snake and the Mirror' depicts about the contrast between dreams and reality in a humorous manner. It tells about an adventurous episode that a young homeopath doctor undergoes when a snake becomes an unwanted guest in his rented room.
(6) My Childhood
'My Childhood' is a story about the great Indian scientist (Missile Man) or former President APJ Abdul Kalam. It shows that how our life is shaped by our experiences and the people around us. How inspiring parents and teachers instill great values which transform one's personality and outlook towards life.
(7) Reach For the Top
Part-A - Santosh Yadav - Santosh Yadav was born in a conservative family of affluent landowner in Haryana. Later she, became a renowned and famous moutainer.
Part-B -Maria Sharapova - She is a famous tennis player. The author reveals that one has to pay a price for reaching the top in the form of hard work and rigorous training.
(8) Kathmandu
'Kathmandu' is a travelogue by Vikram Seth. This chapter describes the writer's visit to Pashupatinath temple and the Baudhnath stupa. Pashupatinath temple is a holy place for Hindus while Baudhanath stupa is a holy place for the Buddhists.
(9) If I Were You
'If I Were You' is a play that depicts about how having a strong presence of mind can save one's life in the rival conditions. The play has is of mystery, surprise, suspense and humour.


Poems
(1) The Road Not Taken
'The Road Not Taken' contains a deep, hidden meaning. This poem portrays the problem of making the right choice. The two roads are symbolic of the confusion created when we have to take a decision in life. Whether our decision is right or not, can be known when the road we choose comes to an end.
(2) Wind
In the poem 'Wind', we see both aspects of nature - constructive as well as destructive. The wind creates troubles and harshness for those who are weak. It is friendly to those human beings who possess strong bodies and firm minds. So wind symbolizes difficulties as well as challenges.
(3) Rain on the Roof
Rain on the roof depicts the feelings of the poet when the sky is overcast with dark clouds and he listens the sound of soft rain on the roof of his cottage. This poem talks about the healing power of rain.
(4) The Lake Isle of Innisfree
The poet tells how the lake of Innisfree and memories related to it are still with him. He wants to return to the lake Isle of Innisfree as he experiences peace and tranquility being there.
(5) A Legend of the Northland
The poem narrates a story about the importance of being compassionate towards the needy. This poem teaches us an inspiring lesson that we should never be greedy. We should be generous and helpful.
(6) No Men Are Foreign
This poem gives the idea of universal brotherhood. The poet says that human beings anywhere in the world are basically the same and as such they are not strangers to one another.
(7) On Killing A Tree
'On Killing a Tree' is the most inspiring poem. The poem inspires us not to kill or destroy the deep rooted trees. The poet says that it takes a lot of time to kill a tree. The tree symbolises nature and its destruction shows man's folly because in destroying nature, man destroys himself.
(8) A Slumber did My Spirit seal
This poem is about the death of a loved one. The poet imagines his loved one to be moving in the same direction every day over and over again along with roads stone and trees.


Supplementary (Moments)
(1) The Lost Child
This chapter is a story about a young child who is excited to visit a fair with his parents. He is excited to see the butterflies, sweetseller, round about also. He wants every thing at the fair but hesitates to ask from his parents. The situation becomes complicated when he lost his parents in the fair. He loses interest in the things he wanted earlier.
(2) The Adventure of Toto
'The Adventure of Toto' is a story about a mischievous monkey. It is a story about the grandfather's love for his pet animals. Grandfather bought Toto (monkey) from a tonga driver. The monkey is very mischievous so he does not fit in the grandfather's. house. He is responsible for many destructive things in the author's house.
(3) Iswaran the Storyteller
This is a humorous story. This story is about a cook Iswaran and his manager Mahendra. Iswaran has curious interest is reading and narrating stories. He narrates a ghost story to his master which has a deep effect on Mahendra.
(4) In The Kingdom of fools
'In The Kingdom of fools' is a story about the disciple and the guru. They reached a kingdom which had illogical rules and regulations. The kingdom is saved when a learned sage is chosen to be its ruler.
(5) The Happy Prince
It is a story about a happy prince who lived happily in his kingdom. But after his death he became sad to see the condition of the poor in his kingdom. He does his best to make them happy with the help of swallow (bird). For this good deed he and swallow secure their places in heaven.
(6) The Last Leaf
This story tells that how giving hope to someone can change their lives. (positively)
(7) A House is Not a Home
This story depicts the problems of a teenage student. It also reflects how a desperate teenager overcomes his problems.
(8) The Beggar
'The Beggar' is a story about a beggar whose name is Lushkoff. By chance he meets an advocate Sergei, who brings him home to chop wood. In the beginning, Lushkoff is not curious to do physical labour. But, Sergei and his cook Olga are responsible for transforming his whole life. Later he leads a respectable life.