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**CLASS-12, SUBJECT-ENGLISH**

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**My Mother at Sixty Six**

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**Read the given extracts and answer the questions that follow:-**

**(A)**

**---- I saw my mother,  
beside me,  
doze, open mouthed, her face  
ashen like that  
of a corpse and realised with pain**

**1. Who is 'I' ?**

**2. What did the poetess realise with pain?**

**3. Why was the realisation painful?**

**4. What figure of speech has been used in these lines?**

**(B)**

**Old**

**familiar ache, my childhood's fear,  
but all I said was, see you soon,**

**Amma,**

**all I did was smile and smile and**

**smile-----**

**(a) What does the phrase 'familiar ache' mean?**

**(b) What was the poetess's childhood fear?**

**(c) What does the repeated use of the word 'smile mean ?**

**(d) What is the poetess's feelings for her mother?**