

Ln 3. Taro's Reward

I. READ THE GIVEN LINES AND ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

Muttering their anger and disappointment, the villagers left the place one by one. Taro came out from his hiding place. Was it true, he wondered? Was the saké a dream?

a. Why were the villagers angry and disappointed?

The villagers were angry and disappointed because they got plain water instead of the saké.

b. Why did Taro hide himself?

Taro hid to save himself from the anger of the villagers.

c. Was the saké a dream?

No , the saké wasn't a dream. It was rather true.

II. SHORT ANSWERS:

1. Taro was a thoughtful son. Explain how. (H.W)

Taro worked very hard by chopping wood in the forest, but earned a very less amount of money. This made him sad because he wanted to give his old parents everything they needed, but he couldn't afford to pay it, thus we can say that he was a very thoughtful and kind son.

2. How did the villagers get to know about the source of sake ?

When a neighbour, visited Taro's house and was offered saké, she asked about the source of it. Taro's father told her the truth and then she spread the news in the village.

3. How did the villagers react after drinking the water from the waterfall?

The villagers who were expecting saké were upset when they tasted just plain cold water. They were angry and felt that Taro had deceived them. They in fact decided to drown Taro in the stream.

4. Why did the emperor reward Taro?

The emperor of Japan rewarded Taro with 20 pieces of gold for being good and kind towards his parents. This was the emperor's way to encourage all children to respect, obey and serve their parents.

III. LONG ANSWER:

1. What value can be learnt from Taro?

Taro was a loving son. He loved his parents and did not mind working harder to fulfill his parents' wishes. Once his father was feeling cold and desired to drink saké. So, he decided to start early, to earn more money. His kindness was rewarded by the fountain of saké. He was generous and he did not mind sharing the secret of the fountain with his neighbours and villagers. His earnest way was rewarded by the king too. He was an ideal son and set an example to the others in his kingdom.

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Std. 6
The Friendly Mongoose

I. Read the given lines and answer the questions given below.

One day, the farmer's wife wanted to go to the market. She fed the baby and rocked him to sleep in his little cradle. Picking up the basket, she said to her husband, "I'm off to the bazar. The baby is sleeping. Keep an eye on him. Frankly, I don't like to leave the child alone with the mongoose."

1. Where did the farmer's wife go?

The farmer's wife went to the market.

2. What was the warning given by her to the farmer?

She warned her husband not to leave the baby alone with the mongoose.

3. "I'm off to the bazar" - Who spoke these words to whom?

The farmer's wife spoke these words to her husband the farmer.

II. Short Answers

1. What made the farmer's wife blind with rage?

Ans: The sight of blood on the face and paws of the mongoose made the farmer's wife mad with anger. She took for granted that the mongoose had killed her son.

2. How did the mongoose prove his friendly nature?

Ans: The mongoose saved the life of the farmer's son from a deadly cobra. He killed the snake. He sacrificed his life. He was killed by the farmer's wife due to misunderstanding.

3. Why did the farmer think of having a pet?

Ans: The farmer loved his only son very much. He wanted the boy to have a companion when he grew up. So he decided to bring home a pet to give his son company.

III. Long Answers

1. 1. How did the mongoose oblige its master? What was the reward of his service?

Ans: A farmer lived in a village with his wife and a small son. In order to give company to the child, the farmer brought with him a small mongoose. It became a good friend of the infant. One day the mother went to the market. The child was left in the company of the mongoose. A snake was going to bite the baby. But the mongoose killed it. The mother after she came back home saw blood on the animal's face. In anger she killed the mongoose. Soon after she discovered how the mongoose had saved the child's life. She wept bitterly.

STD VI – ENGLISH

P2 - The Kite

I. READ THE GIVEN LINES AND ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

How bright on the blue
Is a kite when it's new!
With a dive and a dip
It snaps its tail
Then soars like a ship
With only a sail.

a. Which is bright when it is new?

The kite is bright when it is new.

b. What is the movement of the kite?

The kite moves with a dive and dip.

II. SHORT ANSWERS:

1. Who is the poet of this poem? What does the poet try to express through the poem ?

The poet of this poem is Harry Behn. He tries to express a beautiful scenario of the flying kite.

2. What is the similarity between the kite and the ship? (H.W)

When there are waves in the sea, the ship goes up and down with the waves. It appears to ride high or seems to dive down when the waves break. Similarly, the kite rises high in the sky, when its wings are filled with air, but as the speed of the wind becomes slow, it takes a dip and seems to rest.

3. When does a kite become ugly?

The poet says that the kite becomes a raggeder thing when it flaps on a string in the top of a tree, it gets totally torn and ugly.

STD VI - ENGLISH

THE QUARREL

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I. Read the given lines and answer the following questions:

We hated one another.

The afternoon turned black.

Then suddenly my brother

Thumped me on the back,

And said, "Oh, come along!

We can't go on all night –

I was in the wrong."

So he was in the right.

1. Who is the speaker in the poem?

The poet is the speaker

2. Why did the afternoon turn out to be black?

The afternoon turned out to be black because the poet and her brother were in a bad mood.

3. What could not go all night?

The quarrel could not go on all night

II. Short answers:

1. How did they quarrel in the beginning? What did it lead to?

Initially, the quarrel was slight and not serious. However, at the end, it became strong and they fell apart. Both hated each other and considered the other wrong.

2. Who resolved the quarrel in the poem?

The poet's brother came to her and said that they can't go like that the whole night. Hence, she should forgive him. So, it was the brother who took the first step and the poet forgave him.

3. Why did the quarrel continue till afternoon? (H.W)

III. Long answer:

1. What is the message conveyed in the poem 'The Quarrel'?

The message of the poem 'The Quarrel' is that disagreements, fights and arguments are common among siblings. However, wise is the one who asks for forgiveness even after knowing that the other was wrong. Here in the poem, we do not know who exactly was wrong, but the poet's brother asks for forgiveness because he did not want to continue to live with a bad mood. So, we should learn to ask for forgiveness and forgive others. No matter how much your sibling annoys you, you can never really hate them.
