



Chapter-7 | The Last Leaf

Worksheet-2

Multiple Choice Questions

1. **What did Behrman die of?**
(a) Cholera (b) Pneumonia
(c) Fever (d) Heart Attack
2. **What did the last leaf of the ivy creeper represent for Johnsy in the story, The Last Leaf?**
(a) A new beginning of life (b) A different kind of leaf
(c) The last breath of her life (d) The leaf that she wanted to paint
3. **What will happen when the last leaf will fall?**
(a) Behrman will die (b) She will die
(c) Johnsy will die (d) All of these
4. **What can make a man recover soon?**
(a) All of these (b) Eating healthy food
(c) Will live (d) The will to die
5. **What kind of friendship do you think has been portrayed in the story, The Last Leaf?**
(a) Friendship of Utility (b) True friendship
(c) Friendship of Pleasure (d) Friendship with Selfish needs
6. **What happened to Johnsy when she saw Behrman's masterpiece painting?**
(a) Felt delighted
(b) Jumped out of bed
(c) She became confident that she could be cured
(d) Feeling happy
7. **What did Sue speak when he looked at the last ivy leaf painting?**
(a) A masterpiece (b) Nice work
(c) Just a ordinary painting (d) A great painting
8. **Who found Behrman wet on his bed on the first day?**
(a) Cook (b) Sue
(c) Janitor (d) Doctor

9. In the story **The Last Leaf**, why was Johnsy counting the leaves of the ivy creeper?
- (a) To pass her time.
 - (b) She was amused to see so many leaves and so she counted them to remember.
 - (c) To count the days for her approaching death.
 - (d) To see how many leaves were there in the plant altogether.
10. In the story, **The Last Leaf** which disease was Johnsy suffering from?
- (a) Cholera
 - (b) Pneumonia
 - (c) Malaria
 - (d) Jaundice

Fill in the blanks :

11. Behrman was _____ years old.
12. Sue brought _____ for Johnsy to eat.

True / False

13. In the story **The Last Leaf**, Mr Behrman painted the leaf during the day when Johnsy was sleeping.
14. According to Johnsy, there were thousand leaves in the ivy creeper tree three days ago.

Very Short Type Questions

15. What is Johnsy's illness? What can cure her, the medicine or the willingness to live?
16. How did Sue react when she learnt about Johnsy's belief regarding the falling leaves of the ivy creeper?

Short Type Questions

17. What did the doctor tell Sue?
18. Describe the strange belief of Johnsy. Did it come out to be true?

Essay Type Questions

19. How did Behrman try to save the life of Johnsy?
20. Write a character-sketch of Behrman.

HOTS

- 21 **Assertion (A)** : Behrman's painting of the last leaf is considered a masterpiece.
Reason (R) : It was a technically perfect reproduction of a leaf and brought him great fame.
- (a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.
 - (b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
 - (c) A is true, but R is false.
 - (d) A is false, but R is true.



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Answer & Solution

1. (b) Pneumonia
2. (c)
The last leaf of the ivy creeper was for Johnsy, her last breath of life because she felt that with its falling, she would also pass away.
3. (c) Johnsy will die
4. (c) Will live
5. (b)
In the story, Henry has portrayed an example of true friendship where a friend looks after another friend without demanding anything in return. Sue looks after Johnsy selflessly with only one motive in her mind, to make Johnsy feel better and recover from her illness.
6. (c) She became confident that she could be cured
7. (a) A masterpiece
8. (c) Janitor
9. (c)
Johnsy had given up all hope on life and strongly believed that she would die soon. She was counting the leaves of the ivy creeper in order to count the days that would take for her to die because she felt that with the last leaf of the creeper gone, she would also fall asleep forever.
10. (b)
Johnsy had fallen seriously ill in the month of November as she was suffering from pneumonia.
11. stick
12. coconuts
13. False
14. False
15. Johnsy, a young artist, was ill. She was suffering from pneumonia. But later on, she suffered from a misconception that she would die as soon as the last leaf on the creeper fall. The medicine had no effect on her. Her willingness to live could cure her.
16. Sue called Johnsy's belief nonsense because the falling of leaves was quite natural in autumn and had nothing to do with Johnsy's getting well. She was worried about Johnsy's pessimistic view of life.
17. The doctor told Sue that Johnsy had made up her mind that she was going to die. If she didn't want to live, medicines would not help her. Her will to live and fight the problem was more important than medicines.
18. The strange belief of Johnsy was that she would die once the last leaf on the creeper would fall. Johnsy kept on counting the remaining leaves on the Ivy creeper outside her window. No, her strange belief did not come true as the last painted leaf did not fall from the ivy creeper.

19. Behrman, an old painter, who lived on the ground floor knew about Johnsy's strange fancy that she would die with the falling of the last leaf of the ivy creeper. No amount of persuasion, medicine, and care could bring back Johnsy back to life. She was tired of waiting for the last leaf to fall, she wished to die peacefully like the poor and tired leaves. She lost all hope and was not willing to fight her disease. she had accepted that death was inevitable and was about to approach very soon. Behrman knew the last leaf would fall anytime due to heavy rains, so he set about to make his masterpiece. It was a painting of the ivy leaf that never fell. While painting he caught pneumonia and died two days later, having saved Johnsy. Her life was saved and the Ivy leaf became Behrman's masterpiece because of the supreme sacrifice that he made to save a stranger's life.

20. Behrman was a noble-hearted, mature old man, a man of few words and a true artist who painted till last breathe of his life and that too for a noble cause. He had a life-long dream to paint a masterpiece. But he could not succeed in this regard.

He was a sixty-year-old painter, who lived on the ground floor of the same building. When Sue informed him about Johnsy's condition and misconception about the Last Leaf, he became worried. He called Johnsy stupid and foolish. He visited Johnsy to see her condition. Johnsy was sleeping. He noticed the last leaf on the creeper. He did not say anything and went to his room. He was a kind person. He painted a leaf in the icy-cold night. It was raining heavily. His clothes and shoes got wet. He was shivering with the cold that night. Eventually, he suffered from pneumonia which was at the incurable stage and finally succumbed to death after two days. He sacrificed his life to save Johnsy's life.

21. (c)

Behrman's painting is considered a masterpiece not because of its technical perfection or the fame it earned, but because it symbolized hope and selfless sacrifice. The painted leaf restored Johnsy's desire to live, and Behrman lost his life in the process of creating it. Its emotional and symbolic impact makes it a true masterpiece, not fame or artistic acclaim.