

CHAPTER-1 | A Triumph of Surgery

QUIZ
PART-03

- How did the narrator and his partners spend their days while Tricki stayed at the surgery?
A. Working late into the night
B. Eating eggs, drinking wine, and enjoying brandy
C. Feeding Tricki special medicines
D. Playing games with Tricki indoors (B)

Explanation: Their days began with eggs, continued with wine at lunch, and ended with brandy by the fire, all sent by Mrs. Pumphrey.

- Why was the narrator tempted to keep Tricki as a permanent guest?
A. Tricki had become obedient
B. Tricki was playful and healthy
C. The gifts from Mrs. Pumphrey were lavish
D. He loved Tricki deeply (C)

Explanation: The narrator enjoyed the abundance of gifts such as eggs, wine, and brandy, which made him consider keeping Tricki longer.

- How long did Tricki stay at the surgery before being returned?
A. One week
B. Ten days
C. Two weeks (a fortnight)
D. Three weeks (C)

Explanation: Tricki stayed under the narrator's care for about a fortnight before being sent back.

- How had Tricki changed during his stay at the surgery?
A. He became thin and weak
B. He became a lithe, hard-muscled dog
C. He grew fatter and slower
D. He remained the same as before (B)

Explanation: Tricki was transformed into a lithe, strong, hard-muscled animal who could keep up with the pack.

- What was Tricki doing when the narrator found him in the garden before returning him?
A. Sleeping in his bed
B. Lying weak on the floor
C. Running and playing with the other dogs
D. Barking loudly at strangers (C)

Explanation: Tricki was seen running energetically with the other dogs, his ears flapping and tail wagging.

- How did Tricki react on seeing Mrs. Pumphrey again?
A. He remained calm
B. He barked angrily at her
C. He leapt into her lap excitedly and licked her face
D. He ignored her and stayed with the narrator (C)

Explanation: Tricki jumped from the narrator's arms straight into Mrs. Pumphrey's lap, covering her with kisses.

- What condition were Tricki's belongings (beds, toys, coats, and bowls) in when they were returned?
A. All had been used regularly
B. Some were damaged
C. None had been used
D. Only the bowls were used (C)

Explanation: Despite being brought along, none of Tricki's luxurious belongings were used during his stay.

- What did Mrs. Pumphrey exclaim as the car moved away with Tricki?
A. "This is a waste of effort!"
B. "How can I ever thank you? This is a triumph of surgery!"
C. "I will never forgive you!"
D. "My poor little Tricki is still weak!" (B)

Explanation: Mrs. Pumphrey, overwhelmed with gratitude, declared it "a triumph of surgery".

- What can be inferred about Mrs. Pumphrey's feelings at the end?
A. She was angry with Herriot
B. She was deeply grateful and emotional
C. She was indifferent to Tricki's recovery
D. She was too tired to react (B)

Explanation: Mrs. Pumphrey was moved to tears and expressed heartfelt gratitude for Tricki's recovery.

- What is the key learning outcome highlighted in this part?
A. A strict medicine routine heals better than diet
B. Discipline and a healthy routine can transform health
C. Rich gifts improve recovery
D. Pets should not mix with other dogs (B)

Explanation: The main message is that a disciplined routine and lifestyle can have transformative effects on health.