

## CHAPTER-9 | The Proposal

QUIZ  
PART-02

1. Where does Lomov meet Chubukov at the beginning?

- A. A courtroom
- B. A train station
- C. A drawing-room in Chubukov's house
- D. Lomov's farmhouse (C)

**Explanation:** The scene opens in the drawing-room of Chubukov's house, where Lomov arrives.

2. What is Lomov wearing when he enters?

- A. A hunting coat and cap
- B. A dress-jacket and white gloves
- C. A simple farmer's tunic
- D. A military uniform (B)

**Explanation:** His formal dress—jacket and white gloves—signals a special purpose for the visit.

3. What does Chubukov first suspect about Lomov's visit?

- A. He wants to borrow money
- B. He plans to sell land
- C. He seeks legal advice
- D. He brings wedding invitations (A)

**Explanation:** Chubukov, aside, assumes Lomov has come to borrow money.

4. What request does Lomov finally make to Chubukov?

- A. A loan for his farm
- B. Permission to buy the birchwoods
- C. The hand of Natalya in marriage
- D. Help settling a boundary dispute (C)

**Explanation:** Lomov declares he has come to ask for Natalya Stepanovna's hand.

5. How does Chubukov react to Lomov's declaration?

- A. Coldly and with suspicion
- B. With anger over past quarrels
- C. With joyful embrace and blessings
- D. By postponing the discussion (C)

**Explanation:** Overjoyed, he embraces and blesses Lomov and rushes to call Natalya.

6. What age does Lomov call a "critical" stage for marriage?

- A. Thirty
- B. Thirty-two
- C. Thirty-five
- D. Forty (C)

**Explanation:** He insists he is already thirty-five, a "critical" age, and must marry.

7. Which ailment is NOT mentioned among Lomov's complaints?

- A. Palpitations
- B. Twitch in the right eyebrow
- C. Noise in the ears
- D. High fever (D)

**Explanation:** He lists palpitations, a twitch, and noise in his ears, but not fever.

8. What is Natalya doing when she enters to meet Lomov?

- A. Kneading dough for bread
- B. Shelling peas for drying
- C. Sewing a dress
- D. Arranging flowers (B)

**Explanation:** She apologizes for her apron and negligee because she is busy shelling peas.

9. What farm worry does Natalya confess during their small talk?

- A. The cattle have fallen ill
- B. The wheat has failed to sprout
- C. The hay may rot because she cut a whole field too soon
- D. The well has dried up (C)

**Explanation:** After cutting an entire field out of greed, she now fears the hay may rot, especially after wet weather.

10. What sparks the new quarrel between Lomov and Natalya?

- A. The price of hay
- B. The behavior of the workers
- C. The location of the birchwoods
- D. The ownership of Oxen Meadows (D)

**Explanation:** The dispute ignites when Lomov calls them "my Oxen Meadows," and Natalya insists they are hers.