

CHAPTER-9 | The Proposal

QUIZ
PART-07

- What bird does Chubukov mention when threatening Lomov during the quarrel?
A. Goose
B. Partridge
C. Pheasant
D. Duck (B)

Explanation: In the heat of the argument, he shouts that he'll shoot him "like a partridge," showing the intensity of the squabble.

- What immediate physical distress does Lomov complain of before collapsing into a chair?
A. Toothache
B. Burning fever
C. Bursting heart and failing strength
D. Cramp in the leg only (C)

Explanation: He clutches at his chest, babbling about his heart, feet, and temples before falling into an armchair and calling for a doctor.

- Who first screams that Lomov is dead?
A. Chubukov
B. The house-keeper
C. Natalya
D. A doctor (C)

Explanation: Seeing him motionless, she panics, cries that he's dead, and wails for a doctor.

- What does Chubukov lift to Lomov's mouth while lamenting?
A. A glass of milk
B. A tumbler of water
C. A cup of tea
D. A spoon of medicine (B)

Explanation: Believing Lomov may revive, he raises a tumbler of water to his mouth.

- What decisive step does Chubukov take to secure the match once Lomov revives?
A. He puts a ring on Natalya's finger
B. He signs a marriage contract
C. He places Lomov's hand in Natalya's and gives his blessing
D. He announces a wedding date (C)

Explanation: He grabs their hands together, declares she is willing, and blesses them to end the turmoil.

- What does Lomov mutter even as the engagement is confirmed?
A. "Where's my hat?"
B. "My foot's gone to sleep."
C. "I must see the lawyer."
D. "Where is the ring?" (B)

Explanation: Amid the confusion he notes his foot has gone numb, a continuation of his ailments.

- What topic do Lomov and Natalya immediately resume arguing about after agreeing to marry?
A. The Oxen Meadows
B. Household expenses
C. Their dogs, Guess and Squeezer
D. Where to live (C)

Explanation: No sooner do they accept the match than they return to insisting whose dog is better.

- What drink does Chubukov call for to celebrate, trying to drown out the renewed quarrel?
A. Tea
B. Vodka
C. Champagne
D. Coffee (C)

Explanation: He repeatedly shouts "Champagne!" as they bicker about the dogs.

- Which insult does NOT appear in the exchange?
A. Old rat
B. Jesuit
C. Milksop
D. Donkey (D)

Explanation: They fling terms like "old rat," "Jesuit," and "milksop," but no one calls the other a "donkey."

- Which line best captures the overall tone at the end of the scene?
A. Solemn resignation to fate
B. Comedic chaos fueled by petty quarrels
C. Quiet reconciliation and reflection
D. Grim tragedy and sorrow (B)

Explanation: The sudden engagement devolves into a farcical dog argument, while Chubukov shouts for champagne—chaotic and comic.