

CHAPTER-9 | The Proposal

QUIZ
PART-06

1. What defect does Lomov insist Squeezer has?

- A. Undershot jaw
- B. Overshot jaw
- C. Cross-eyed look
- D. Cropped tail (B)

Explanation: He argues Squeezer is “overshot,” explaining the lower jaw is shorter than the upper.

2. Which pedigree claim does Natalya make about Squeezer?

- A. Son of Thunder and Blaze
- B. Son of Harness and Chisels
- C. Son of Birch and Marsh
- D. Son of Count and Duchess (B)

Explanation: She calls Squeezer a thoroughbred, specifically the son of Harness and Chisels.

3. What price does Lomov say would be “handsome” for Squeezer?

- A. Ten roubles
- B. Twenty-five roubles
- C. Fifty roubles
- D. One hundred roubles (B)

Explanation: He belittles Squeezer’s value, saying twenty-five roubles would be generous.

4. What harsh remark does Natalya make about Guess?

- A. It’s time he was shot
- B. He should be sold at once
- C. He must be sent to a trainer
- D. He belongs in a kennel, not a field (A)

Explanation: In anger, she says it’s time Guess was shot.

5. When Chubukov enters, what key question does Lomov press him to answer?

- A. Which dog is faster overall
- B. Whether Squeezer is overshot
- C. Who owns the Oxen Meadows
- D. Who trains the better dogs (B)

Explanation: He begs for a simple “yes or no” on whether Squeezer is overshot.

6. Which pair of defects does Chubukov list for Guess?

- A. Young and long-muzzled
- B. Lamé and cross-eyed
- C. Old and short in the muzzle
- D. Slow and bow-legged (C)

Explanation: Though praising Guess’s build, he says the dog is old and short in the muzzle.

7. In recalling the Marusinsky hunt, what claim does Lomov make about the race?

- A. Guess fell behind early while Squeezer led
- B. Both dogs gave up the chase
- C. Guess ran neck-and-neck with the Count’s dog
- D. Squeezer outran the Count’s dog easily (C)

Explanation: He boasts that Guess kept pace with the Count’s dog.

8. What reason does Chubukov give for Squeezer being left behind on that hunt?

- A. A sprained leg
- B. The Count’s whipper-in struck him
- C. A wrong trail scent
- D. A broken leash (B)

Explanation: He says the whipper-in hit Squeezer with his whip.

9. Which health complaint does Lomov repeatedly mention during the quarrel?

- A. Headache
- B. Palpitations
- C. Toothache
- D. Fever (B)

Explanation: He often clutches at his chest and says his heart is palpitating.

10. What trait about people and their dogs does Chubukov point out?

- A. Everyone trains dogs superbly
- B. Everyone is jealous of others’ dogs
- C. Everyone breeds only purebreds
- D. Everyone follows strict hunting rules (B)

Explanation: He remarks that people are always jealous of each other’s dogs.