

## **CHAPTER-2 | The Thief's Story**

QUIZ

- How much money did the narrator steal from under Anil's mattress?
  - A. 300 rupees
  - B. 500 rupees
  - C. 600 rupees
  - D. 700 rupees

**Explanation:** The narrator found 600 rupees in fifties

and tied them around his waist with the string of his pyjamas.

- 2. Which train did the narrator think of catching after stealing the money?
  - A. The Bombay Express
  - B. The Lucknow Express
  - C. The Delhi Express
  - D. The Agra Express

(B)

Explanation: He planned to catch the 10:30 Lucknow Express but hesitated and missed it.

- 3. Why did the narrator hesitate to jump onto the train?
  - A. He was afraid of being caught
  - B. He couldn't decide where to go
  - C. He couldn't explain the hesitation himself
  - D. He was too weak to run (C)

**Explanation:** The narrator admits that for some unknown reason, he hesitated and lost the chance to escape.

- 4. What emotion did the narrator expect to see on Anil's face after the theft?
  - A. Anger
  - B. Fear
  - C. Sadness for losing trust
  - D. Indifference (C)

**Explanation:** The narrator thought Anil would not be angry but sad at losing his trust.

- 5. Where did the narrator take shelter during the rainy night?
  - A. At the railway station
  - B. In a hotel near the bazaar
  - C. Under the clock tower
  - (C) D. At Anil's friend's house

Explanation: He sat under the shelter of the clock tower at midnight as it rained heavily.

- 6. What realization made the narrator think of returning to Anil?
  - A. He felt too guilty to keep the money
  - B. He remembered the importance of learning to read and write
  - C. He had no other friends or shelter
  - D. He was afraid of the police

(B)

- **Explanation:** He realized that learning to write whole sentences could one day give him more than a few hundred rupees.
- 7. What did the narrator find when he returned to Anil's room the next morning?
  - A. Anil was waiting angrily
  - B. Anil was still asleep
  - C. Anil had made tea and held out a fifty-rupee note
  - D. The room was locked

Explanation: The narrator woke up to find Anil had made tea and offered him a fifty-rupee note.

- 8. Why was the fifty-rupee note damp?
  - A. It had fallen into water
  - B. It was from the money the narrator had returned, wet from the rain
  - C. Anil spilled tea on it
  - D. It was old and worn out

- Explanation: The note was from the stolen bundle the narrator returned, which had become damp in the
- 9. How did Anil react to the theft and return of the money?
  - A. He scolded the narrator harshly
  - B. He punished him physically
  - C. He did not say anything directly but understood and forgave
  - D. He reported the theft to the police
- Explanation: Anil's lips and eyes showed no anger. He silently understood the situation and chose forgiveness.
- 10. What learning outcome is emphasized in this part of the story?
  - A. Cleverness is more important than honesty
  - B. Money ensures security in life
  - C. Resisting temptation and valuing trust are essential human values
  - D. Thieves can always escape without punishment
- Explanation: The story underlines the importance of human values and the strength required to resist temptation.