

Class - VIIISubject - English LiteratureChapter - 8 Lonely HeartSummary of the chapter

This story is about a boy named Sekhar who had come to spend his summer holidays with his uncle and aunt. One afternoon when he was playing in his uncle's garden he received a letter for his uncle and he saw an old lady opposite to his uncle's house. She checked the letterbox daily but she never found any letter in the letterbox. Sekhar asked the postmaster about the lady then postman told him that she was a lonely lady as there was no one to write her a letter.

In the evening when they were sitting at the dining table Sekhar asked his uncle and aunt about the old lady then he got to know that she had no relations or relatives in this world and she was called Didi by everyone. Now Sekhar was worried about her and he could not sleep that night. Sekhar made a plan to go to Didi's house to be her friend. So next day while his uncle and aunt were busy, Sekhar went out with the dog Wolf and he put a ball in his pocket. He threw the ball in Didi's garden and knocked the door to take his ball from Didi's garden. Didi opened the door and allow Sekhar to take his ball.

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while searching for the ball Sekhar praised Didi for the well maintained garden. Now Sekhar had started coming to Didi's house daily to learn guitar from Didi. She also waited him eagerly everyday though she was old enough to play guitar still she promised Sekhar to teach. They played many games together and she offered him chocolate cake and tea. The happy days passed quickly and it was time for Sekhar to leave as his summer holidays were getting over. Sekhar knew that his uncle and aunt were going to miss him but, most of all Didi was going to miss him terribly. The day, Sekhar was leaving Didi gave him guitar as a parting gift. Though Sekhar was leaving but he was very happy with the thought that now Didi's letterbox was no longer going to be empty and Didi would receive the first letter in her letterbox very soon.

Instructions

- Parents are requested to make the child read the lesson aloud with proper pronunciation and expression.
- Parents are requested to hide the answer key and provide it later to the child.

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- Students are instructed to read the chapter as well as provided summary twice carefully before attempting the given assignments.

★ Answer KeyExercise - 1 A

1. throw - flick
2. written - writ
3. heavy - laden
4. climbed - ascended
5. boundary - confines
6. gained - gathered

Exercise - 1 - C

1. She regularly checks the past.
2. Didi would receive a letter from Sekhar for the first time in many years.
3. Sekhar provided some company and charm in Didi's life so she would miss him deeply.
4. Didi gave Sekhar a guitar as a parting gift.

Exercise - 2

1. Sekhar - loving, caring, innocent, enquiring
2. Didi - isolated, loving, considerate
3. Postman - loving, considerate
4. Uncle - loving, caring
5. Wolf - faithful dog

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Exercise - 3

a. butterflies

b. hand over the letter to his uncle.

c. a movement of Didi in the opposite house.

d. and she has the habit of checking the afternoon post.

e. did ever come her way.

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