

STD VI

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1. Why did Swaminathan's father spend his afternoons at home?

Ans. Swaminathan's father spent the afternoons at home because his court was closed in the second week of May.

2. Why was Swaminathan displeased about his father's staying at home?

Ans. Swaminathan was displeased about his father's staying at home because he knew that it would interfere with his afternoon rambles with Rajam and Mani.

3. "How many days is it since you touched your books? "Who said this and why?

Ans. Swaminathan's father said so because there was a thin layer of dust on Swaminathan's book.

4. What had father said before Swaminathan's examination?

Ans. Before Swaminathan's examination father said that he need not study when the exams were over.

6. What was the welcome suggestion? Why was it a welcome suggestion?

Ans. The welcome suggestion was to go and get a piece of cloth for dusting. It was a welcome suggestion because Swaminathan got some time to be away from his father and do some mischieves which gave him a great pleasure.

7. Why did Swaminathan go to his granny first to get a piece of cloth?

Ans. Swaminathan went to his granny first to get a piece of cloth because he knew that granny loved him so she would help him and save him from his father.

8. What did Swaminathan do to the baby? Why did he do so?

Ans. Swaminathan rolled the baby over and pulled out the cloth on which the baby was sleeping, thus disturbed the baby from sleep. He did so because it gave him a great pleasure.

9. What was the sum that Swaminathan was given to do?

Ans. Swaminathan was given to solve simplification that is-By selling twelve mangoes Rama wants to earn eight rupees. How much will Krishna pay for three mangoes?

10. Why did Swaminathan feel as if he had stepped into a fearful maze?

Ans. Every time he Swaminathan read the book he saw a different meaning in it so he felt he had fallen into a fearful maze.

11. What idea did Swaminathan form about the Rama of the sum?

Ans. Swaminathan wondered that what made Rama fix eight rupees for twelve mangoes. Probably he was a cunning fellow who wanted to cheat Krishna.

12. Why did Swaminathan want to know if the mangoes were ripe or not?

Ans. Swaminathan wanted to know if the mangoes were ripe or not because he thought that the answer to this question contained the key to the whole problem.

13. How did father react to Swaminathan's question?

Ans. Father looked at him for a while and felt like laughing but smothered it.

14. Why did father twist Swaminathan's ear?

Ans. Father became annoyed by Swaminathan's stupid questions and twisted his ears.

15. What is amusing about the way Swami was thinking?

Ans. Swaminathan wondered that what was the matter with father, why the price was so important and if it was so he could go to the market and find it out himself instead of tormenting him.

16. What was it that surprised Swaminathan about Father's behavior?

Ans. Father admitted defeat and declared the solution to the problem. This surprised Swaminathan about father's behaviour.

17. Why did Swaminathan burst into tears after doing the sum?

Ans. After half an hour's of suffering when Swaminathan was able to solve the problem, he became emotional and burst into tears.

B. Construct sentences with the following phrases:

1. Interfere with-To prevent something from happening.
2. Tidy up-Clean up.
3. Half a mind - Feel like doing something especially when angry but probably will not do it.
 4. At all-In any way (It is used in question and negative sentence.) eg. I have not eaten anything at all.
5. Deaf to-Refusing to hear
6. In a flash- In a second.
7. instead of-In place of.
8. Find out-To search something or someone.
9. For a while-For sometime.
10. Burst into tears -Suddenly started crying.

C. SWAMINATHAN AND HIS FATHER

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| 1 Displeasure | - | Unhappiness |
| 2. Rambles | - | Wanderings |
| 3. Vacations | - | Holidays |
| 4. Vigorously | - | Forcefully |
| 5. Angrily | - | With anger. |
| 6. Corridor | - | Lobby, A long narrow passage. |
| 7. Snatching | - | Pulling away |
| 8. Gazed | - | Looked on |
| 9. Maze | - | Confusion |
| 10. Smothering | - | Control your feelings. |
| 11. Utterly | - | Totally |
| 12. Miracle | - | Magical |
| 13. Thrash | - | Beat with a stick as a punishment |
| 14. Twisted | - | Turned |
| 15. Hesitated | - | Paused in doubt |
| 16. Tormenting | - | torturing |
| 17. Agony | - | mental or physical suffering |
| 18. Region | - | area |
| 19. Terrible | - | Fearful, Awful |
| 20. Wondering | - | curious. |