

Std. III. English Literature

Hansel and Gretel

QI. Word - Meanings (Do it in copy)

1. ill - treated : treated in a cruel manner

2. Crumbled : broken into smaller pieces

3. Trail : path

4. Grab : hold something suddenly

5. Impatient : not able to stay calm

6. Enormous : very large

7. Sparkling : shining

8. Treasure : wealth

9. Overjoyed : very happy

10. Slammed : forcefully shut

QII. Answer these questions. (Do it in copy)

1. What was the woodcutter so worried about?

Ans. The woodcutter was worried about feeding his family.

2. What was the stepmother 's suggestion to her husband?

Ans. The stepmother suggested her husband to leave the children in the forest as they could not feed them.

3. What did Hansel do when their father took them to the forest?

Why did he do so?

Ans. Hansel dropped bread crumbs on the way when their father took them to the forest. He did so to easily find the way to return home.

4.What happened to the trail of bread crumbs?

Ans. The trail of bread crumbs was eaten up by the birds.

5.What did Hansel and Gretel see in the forest?

Ans. They saw a house made up of sweets and cakes.

6. How were the children treated by the old witch?

Ans. The children were ill - treated by the old witch. She kept Hansel in a cage as she planned to eat him and forced Gretel into household work.

7.Why did the witch want to feel Hansel's finger?

Ans. The witch wanted to feel Hansel's finger to make sure that he had grown fat and was ready to be eaten.

8. How did Gretel get rid of the old witch?

Ans. Gretel pushed the old witch into the oven to get rid of her.

QIII. Read and answer. (Do it in copy)

1. "Take these children into the forest and leave them there. "

a. Who are 'these children' mentioned here?

Ans. Hansel and Gretel are the children mentioned here.

b. Who said these words and to whom?

Ans. The stepmother said these words to her husband.

c. Why did the speaker say so?

Ans. The speaker said so because she was their stepmother and did not love them and also there was scarcity of food in the family.

2. " This will help us find the way back home. "

a. Who said these words and to whom?

Ans. Hansel said these words to himself.

b. What will help the speaker find the way back home?

Ans. The trail of bread crumbs would help the speaker find the way back home.

c. Were they able to get back home?

Ans. No, they were not able to get back home.

3. " I am going to eat you anyway."

a. Who said these words and to whom?

Ans. The old witch said these words to Hansel.

b. Why did the speaker want to eat the listener anyway?

Ans. The speaker wanted so because she was an evil witch and loved to eat human flesh.

QIV. Think and answer. (Do it in copy)

1. Do you think the woodcutter did the right thing to leave Hansel and Gretel in the forest? Discuss.

Ans. No, I don't think the woodcutter did the right thing to leave his children in the forest because it was absolutely unkind and cruel of a father to have abandoned his little children in the forest.

2. Hansel was a very intelligent and resourceful boy. Do you agree? Explain.

Ans. Yes, Hansel was a very intelligent and resourceful boy because he had all the possible ideas to get rid of the problems. He didn't lose his hope in his difficult time.

* Ordinal numbers :- Words that show the position, rank or order of something are called ordinal numbers. eg. Sixth, first, second, third etc.

QIV. Write the ordinal number for each of these cardinal numbers. (Do it in book)

1. Seventeen :seventeenth

2. ten : tenth

3. twenty-one : twenty - first

4. Sixty - six : sixty - sixth

5. thirty - two: thirty - second

6. forty - three : forty - third

7. thirty - nine : thirty - ninth

8. fifty - two : fifty - second

QV. Fill in the blanks with I, she, he, they, we, and it. (Do it in copy)

1. I am Aditya. I have a sister and a brother.

2. Rohit drives a car. HE drives IT very fast.

3. Deepa is my neighbour. SHE wants to be an astronaut.

4. Yogesh won the competition. HE won a book.

5. Suma and I are good friends. WE often go to watch films on weekends.

6. Riya and Paul are eating mangoes. The girls think THEY are delicious.

7. Science is my favourite subject. I love to study IT.

8. Nita Gupta is our teacher. SHE teaches us music.

QVI. Change these sentences to negative sentences. (Do it in copy)

1. Mita is a doctor.

Ans. Mita is not a doctor.

2. He is an American.

Ans. He is not an American.

3. Yami and Fatima are sisters.

Ans. Yami and Fatima are not sisters.

4. I am going to school today.

Ans. I am not going to school today.

5. I have some toffees for you.

Ans. I don't have any toffee for you.