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SUBJECT- LITERATURE

CHAPTER - 4

TOPIC- IN THE KINGDOM OF FOOLS

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IN THE KINGDOM OF FOOLS



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EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES:

GENERAL OBJECTIVES

- Understanding the concept
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- Appreciate the language of the prose
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SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES/ EXTENDED OBJECTIVES

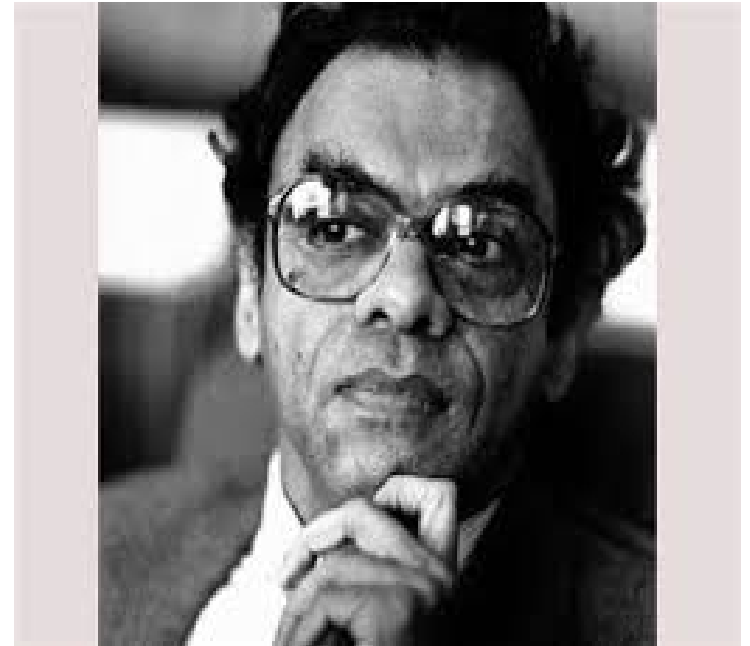
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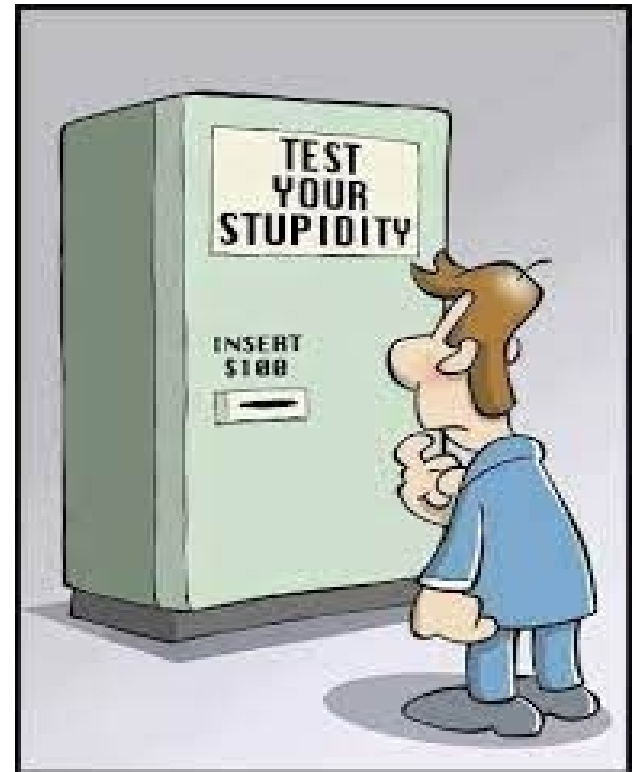
Attipate Krishnaswami Ramanujan (March 16, 1929 – July 13, 1993) also known as A. K. Ramanujan was a scholar of Indian literature who wrote in both English and Kannada.

Ramanujan was an Indian poet, scholar and author, a philologist, folklorist, translator, poet and playwright. His academic research ranged across five languages: Tamil, Kannada, Telugu, Sanskrit, and English. He published works on both classical and modern variants, and also argued strongly for giving local, non-standard dialects their due.



THEME OF THE STORY:

- “In the Kingdom of Fools” is a folktale that brings to light the dangers posed by foolish people.
- It also emphasizes the view that foolish people can be very difficult to manage.
- They can be dealt with only by the wise and calm people. The story is about a kingdom where the king and the ministers are nothing but fools.
- They reversed the order of the day and night and punished anyone who violates the laws.
- A learned Guru and his disciple arrive in the kingdom only to find that everyone performed the chores after evening and slept at night.
- After this a series of events follows which lead to the downfall of the king and his minister.



A THIEF BREAKS INTO A RICH MERCHANT'S HOUSE

- One day a thief broke into a rich merchant's house. He was taking out the stolen things.
- Just then the wall of the old house fell on his head. He was killed instantly.
- The brother of the thief complained to the king about his death. He blamed the owner of the house for his brother's death



THE OWNER IS SUMMONED

- The king heard the accused. He accused him of killing the thief.
- But the owner said that he was innocent. He said that the person who built the wall was responsible.
- He didn't make the good wall. The king decided to summon the bricklayer.



KING SUMMONS THE BRICKSLAYER

- The king asked the bricklayer if he had built the wall.
- He accused him of killing the thief. Before the king could order his death, the bricklayer pleaded innocence.
- He told the king that he could not concentrate while building the wall. A dancing girl moved in the street. So, she was responsible for it.



THE DANCING GIRL IS SUMMONED

- The king charged the dancing girl of killing the thief.
- The dancing girl said that the goldsmith was responsible for it. She had given some gold to him.
- He had to make some jewellery for her. He was lazy. He did not make the jewellery early. So she had to walk up and down the street. So, it was the goldsmith's fault.



VOCABULARY

- complicated: difficult
- distracted: unable to concentrate or give attention to something
- damned: a word used to express anger with someone or something
- culprit: a person responsible for a crime or other misdeed
- bailiffs: law officers
- accusation: a statement saying that someone has done something morally wrong, illegal, or unkind
- impatient: someone who wants something to happen as soon as possible
- inherited: receive money, property, or possessions from someone after the person has died
- impaling: to kill someone by fixing on a stake
- execution: legal punishment of killing someone
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- distracted: unable to concentrate or give attention to something

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