

THE LITTLE GIRL

→ Thinking about the text

I. Given below are some emotions that Kezia felt. Match the emotions in column A with the items in column B.

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2. glad sense of relief	(ii) noise of the carriage grows fainter
3. a "funny" feeling, perhaps of understanding	(iii) father comes home
	(iv) speaking to father
	(v) going to bed when alone at home
	(vi) father comforts her and falls asleep.
	(vii) father stretched out on the sofa, snoring

Answers -

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Q. Answer of the following question in one or two sentences

1. Why was Keria afraid of her father?
Ans. Keria was afraid of her father because he was extremely strict and commanding. He never played with her. He used to give her a terrifying look over his spectacles.

2. Who were the people in Kezia's family?

Ans) Kezia's family composed her father, mother and grandmother and herself.

3. What was Kezia's father's routine?

(i) Before going to his office?

(ii) After coming back from his office?

(iii) On Sundays?

Ans) (i) Before going to office, Kezia's father would come to Kezia's room and give her a goodbye kiss.

(ii) After coming back from his office, he would order his tea to be brought to the drawing room and would ask his mother to get his papers and clippers. He would then order Kezia to take off his boots.

(iii) On Sundays, he would stretch out on the sofa with his handkerchief on his face, his feet on one of the best cushions, sleep and snore.

4. In what ways did Kezia's grandmother encourage her to get to know her father better?

Ans) Kezia's grandmother would encourage her to know her father better by asking her to go down to the drawing room and have a nice talk with her father. She also asked Kezia to stitch a pen-cushion out of a beautiful yellow silk.

Piece and gave it to her father as a birthday present.