

poet invites the wind to attack him and intends to prepare himself for the attack.

The Little Girl

1) fear or terror - father comes home

Glad sense of relief - noise of the carriage grows fainter.

Frustrated feeling, ~~then~~ perhaps of understanding - father comforts her and falls asleep.

2) 1) Why was Keria afraid of her father?

Ans - Keria was afraid of her father because he used to talk to her harshly. He was in a habit of finding out her mistake.

2) Who were the people in Keria's family?

Ans - Keria's family had her grandmother, mother and father.

3) What was Keria's father's routine?

Ans - He used to kiss casually before going to his office. He would ask for the newspaper and tea after coming back from his office. On Sundays, he would take rest. He would enjoy sound sleep on the sofa.

4) In what way did Keria's grandmother encourage her to get to know her father better?

Ans - Keria's grandmother sent her to her father's room to have a nice talk with him. Besides, she asked her to make a gift of a pin-cushion on her father's birthday.

3) 1) Keria used to be afraid of her father talked to her harshly. One day her grandmother told her to make a pin-cushion to gift him on his birthday which was approaching. Keria took it as opportunity to please him. So,

She stitched cotton cloth three sides and looked for one thing that could be stuffed into the stitched cloth. Soon she found out many sheets of paper. Actually they contained her father's speech for the Port Authority. She tore them into pieces and stuffed her case. One day when her father looked for the papers he did not find them. After some time, he came to know that Keria had torn them into pieces to make a pin-cushion. He got infuriated and beat her with a ruler. Thus, her efforts to please her father resulted in displeasing him very much.

2) In Keria's opinion, her father was very harsh. He did not talk to her affectionately but rather he used to speak to her stringently. So she avoided him. She did not want to be in front of him because she was afraid of him. Moreover, her father never spent time with her. Macdonald family lived next door to her house. One evening she

saw them playing tag with his children. A baby was on his shoulders and two little girls were hanging on to his shoulders and two little girls were hanging on to his coat pockets. They were laughing. Also, she saw some boys turn the hose on Mac-donald and he tried to catch them laughing all the time. She found them feel friendly with their father. So she wished if her father were like them.