

Q1) Imagine Hamid having as much money as the other children. How do you think he will spend it? Do you think his behaviour will be any different?

A) In my opinion, Hamid ^{would} have spent a little money to buy a few things he wanted for himself, but at the same time, he wouldn't have forgotten to buy something for the old grandma too.

(A) Amreena stares crushy, seeing little Hamid's sacrifice. She spreads her apron and beseeches Allah to ~~please~~ bless the little child.

(C) (1) Why is the prayer described as a 'wonderful spectacle'?

A) The prayer is done in perfect coordination. Hundreds and thousands of heads bow together in prayer, and then they all stand erect, bow down and sit on their knees. The scene looks as if hundreds and thousands of electric bulbs were switched on and off at the same time. It is referred to as a spectacular sight.



- 4) The shopkeeper initially refuses to sell the dongs to Hamid as he thinks the dongs are of no use to a child as young as Hamid. But later sensing Hamid's feeling for a family member, he sells them at a much lower price.
- 5) There is a sudden change in Hamid's demeanour and demeanour and self-confidence after he buys the dongs as the thought of doing something for his poor old granny fills his heart with joy and pride.
- 6) Find sentences from the story that show how Amena understands the sacrifice little Hamid makes for her?

Q 1) Hamid is happiest of the boys because

he thinks that his father has gone to earn money ~~and~~ with sack loads of silver and his mother will bring gifts for him Allah.

2) The children join in making fun of Hamid when Monsin teases him about the ~~scarce~~ candy. This shows that the

(3) The thought that a pair of tongs will help save Garry's hands from burning makes Hamid realise that the tongs are the best way to spend his three pice. It shows that Hamid is a loving and thoughtful child.

guarding the villages. He is forced to do so when the constable slips and falls from his makhshif + polanquin and breaks its legs

9) Give evidence from the story to prove that Hamid is not only thoughtful but also a very intelligent boy.

A) Hamid shows his intelligence at two places in the story: when he bargains with the shopkeeper ~~shopkeeper~~ and buys a pair of tongs with three pice and when the adults and other children in de find his choice of buying a pair of tongs

<u>name</u>	<u>Toy</u>	<u>Description</u>
Mahmood	Policeman	K haki uniforms
Mahsin	water carrier	red turban and
Nooruly	buyer	a gun on the shoulder

Back bent,
water bag
on the back.

Back down,
long watch chain
in the pocket and a
law book in hand

7 Nouray's lawyer met an end befitting his grand status. He was waving a fan over his face when it fell from the plank on which it was kept. It could have been either the breeze or the fan that was responsible for his accident. On falling to the ground, the lawyer was reduced to dust.

Q) How does Mahmood change his constable into a holy man? Why does he have to make changes?

A) Mahmood changes his constable into a holy man by cutting off one leg to match the broken leg and making him sit in one place as if he was

motor cars wearing expensive dresses and perfumes, the village rustics were dressed in simple clothes and had come walking.

(Q) What do the people do after the prayer is over?

(A) The people embrace and greet each other. The prayer is over. They also visit different stores and purchase sweets, toys and other items.

(Q) How does Hamid respond when his friends make fun of ~~making~~ him for buying a pair of tongs?

(A) Hamid bravely defends his choice of buying a pair of tongs by giving witty reasons that prove that his purchase is better than their toys.

looking. Hamid has no shoes on his feet,
the cap on his head is soiled and tattered
its gold thread has turned black,

(3) Why is Ameena worried about Hamid going to the
Fair all by himself?

A) Ameena is worried about Hamid going to the
Fair all by himself because Hamid only four
and the Eidgah is four miles away. Besides
he has no she is also concerned about Hamid
getting lost in the crowd.

(4) How are the 'village rustics' different from
the other people arriving in the town?

A) While others arrived in the town on tongas and

A) 1) Describe the errands the villagers are busy with before going to the mosque.

A) The village is agog with excitement. Everyone is up early to go to the Eidgah mosque. One finds a button missing from his shirt and is hurrying to his neighbour's house for thread and needle. Another finds that the leather of his shoes has become hard and is running to the oil press for oil to grease it. They are dumping fodder before their oxen.

2) What are the things that tell us how poor Hamid is?

A) Hamid is poorly dressed. Thin and famished.